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Stewardship Speaker



JOHN IRA HILL

John Ira Hill, pastor of First Baptist Church, Union, Mississippi, will speak on the Stewardship Conference Program to be held in Tupelo on Oct. 14. His subject will be "Obedient People in Touch With God Will Be Faithful Stewards of Talents." Hill has led his church at Union from a budget of \$6,900 per year with \$400 designated to missions to give a total of approximately \$80,000 in his five years of ministry with them. Of this amount the church has given an average of \$6,000 a year, or \$30,000 to missions. Mr. Hill believes in, practices and preaches the "tithe" as the only scriptural means of financing God's Kingdom, and his eighteen years of experience has proven the method to be successful. While pastor at Union there has been 155 letters granted to members who have moved away and 325 additions to the church.

Mayor Aids Church Attendance Drive

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—(RNS)—Thanks to an idea of Mayor Overton, all City Hall mail next month will be stamped "See You in Church Sunday."

The mayor volunteered to have the message imprinted on all out-going letters after he learned of plans for a city-wide Church Loyalty Month campaign in October.

The effort to get all church members to attend services on the five Sundays in October will be furthered by at least 100 local church groups, representing 12 Protestant denominations. Between 5,000 and 10,000 laymen are scheduled to devote Sept. 25 to visiting less active church members to urge attendance.

Church Loyalty Month will start with the observance of World-wide Communion Day, Oct. 2. The month represents the first phase of a seven-month united Evangelistic advance.

Bishop Oxnam Replies To Cardinal Spellman

IDEA FOR EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE CAME FROM GOD SAYS DR. MATTHEWS

DALLAS, Tex. — (BP) — The first person to suggest the western 1950 simultaneous evangelistic crusade was Dr. Thomas P. Haskins of Oklahoma City, according to Dr. Charles E. Matthews, superintendent of the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"I had in mind that we should try one throughout the entire South," Matthews said, "but it looked so big and overwhelming and problems were so great concerning preachers that I did not know what to do. Dr. Haskins called me long distance while Oklahoma was having an evangelistic conference, snowbound and icebound. I was in Little Rock in their evangelistic conference, also snowbound.

"About the time that he called me, it seemed that from every direction there came letters and telephone calls from men scattered over the South, asking for this crusade. I have never before experienced anything like it. I can truthfully say that, in my estimation, if anything in which I have ever had a part actually came from God, this did."

Date for the crusade is April 9-23, 1950.

State Convention In November Is Expected To Attract 1500

More than three hundred sixty-six thousand Baptists in Mississippi are beginning to focus their attention on Jackson, as time for the annual convention draws near.

Meeting in Jackson, the capital city of Mississippi, the convention is expected to attract approximately 2,000 persons for its three-day session. The dates are Nov. 15-17.

The host church is to be First Church, Jackson, which claims the largest membership in the state. Host pastor for the convention will be Dr. W. Douglass Hudgins. The Jackson churches and pastors will share in the entertainment of the visitors.

Said to be the largest annual religious gathering in Mississippi, the convention represents 1,615 churches. It is said that there are as many Baptists in Mississippi as of all other denominations.

The program committee, composed of Dr. G. E. Wiley, chairman and Rev. David Cranford, Dr. G. Norman Price, Dr. Wilburn S. Smith, Dr. John Maddox and Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, has prepared the program for the conven-

SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE IN JEOPARDY

The article below is quite long, but it concerns a matter that is extremely important to every American. We hope every Baptist Record reader will give it careful attention. It is a copy of an interview with Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam by WWDC Commentator Ed Hart which was broadcast on Sunday, August 7, 1949.

HART: This is Ed Hart, speaking from Laconia, New Hampshire, on the shores of beautiful Lake Winnepesaukee. It is cool, restful places such as this, which must be in the minds of those Senators and Representatives who want the Congress to adjourn . . . to adjourn, even though very little Fair Deal Legislation, such as Federal Aid to Education, has been passed.

To discuss Federal Aid to Education, our guest is Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Bishop of the New York Area of the Methodist Church. Many Protestant Leaders throughout the world, look upon Bishop Oxnam as the principal spokesman for Protestantism in the United States.

Bishop Oxnam, we are here to discuss Federal Aid to our schools. Legislation concerning this matter has not done well in the Congress. May

we have your views on the issue?

OXNAM: The American people have recently learned that Federal Aid to Education for this session of Congress, Mr. Hart, is dead. Most of our citizens deplore this fact. The Roman Catholic hierarchy is responsible for killing the bills that might have brought Federal Aid to our public school system. Far more children from Roman Catholic homes attend public school than parochial school. It will come as a shock to these parents when they learn the hierarchy is responsible for denying their children higher education standards. Thousands of loyal and able Roman Catholics are teachers in the public schools. They will not forget that the much needed salary increase was denied them by the action of the hierarchy. The blind may lead, but the eyes of their followers will be opened.

HART: Whether you are right or wrong, one could hardly accuse you of employing weasel words in making your charges.

OXNAM: We dare not speak in pleasanties, Mr. Hart, when the American principle of the separation of church and state is in jeopardy. The hierarchy has launched a full scale attack upon Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, reveals the methods that we may expect from men determined to master American life. Congressmen Graham Barden was also attacked viciously. He refused to bow to clerical intimidation. He refused, and is called blackguard and bigot.

HART: You feel that the attacks upon Mrs. Roosevelt and Mr. Barden are part of a general plan to kill Federal School Aid legislation?

OXNAM: It is a coldly calculated plan, Mr. Hart, designed to deny Federal Aid to public schools, unless the

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DR. McKAY TO SPEAK ON MISS. RADIO HOUR

Dr. Charles McKay, pastor of the First Church, Pascagoula, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour, Sunday afternoon, Oct. 2, at 2:30 o'clock. This will be the second of a series of three messages by the Rev. Mr. McKay. He will be heard over the following stations:

WSLI, Jackson; WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WLO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WLAU, Laurel; WLOX, Biloxi; WAPF, McComb; WJMB, Brookhaven; WNAC, Grenada; WHOC, Philadelphia.

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BISHOP OXNAM REPLIES

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hierarchy can get its hands into the public treasury and secure millions for the support of parochial education.

HART: Do you have any facts to offer, or is this conjecture on your part?

OXNAM: The Roman Catholic hierarchy itself is my authority. In 1943, the National Catholic Welfare Conference, which is the hierarchy, addressed a letter to Senator Elbert D. Thomas during Senate hearings, involving Federal aid to education. That letter stated, "The Catholic position is one of opposition to any measures for education that would . . . fail to make mandatory, the inclusion of Catholic schools in its benefits."

HART: But the Roman Catholic position was expressed by Cardinal Spellman when he said that Catholics "must oppose unequivocally, any bill that fails to guarantee at least non-religious text-books, bus rides, and health services for all the children of all Americans." In his opinion, a bill which would not take those three matters into consideration would be discriminatory and un-American, and thus promote prejudice against Catholic children.

OXNAM: One could wish the Cardinal were more candid and less crafty. It is not milk and medicine, books and busses! What he wants is the support of parochial schools by taxes levied on all the people. In a word, he seeks public funds for sectarian education. The church not only wants public funds for private purposes, but must know that to drain off vast sums from public education is so to weaken it as eventually to destroy it.

Our public educational system is a bulwark of democracy. It is hard to understand how the Roman Catholic Church can espouse democracy, when it rejects democracy in its own totalitarian and autocratic organization. The blunt fact is, that the Roman Catholic Church does not believe in our public school system.

HART: Again I ask, Bishop Oxnham, do you have any facts to support your statement?

OXNAM: Pope Pius XI wrote in January, 1930: "Attendance at non-Catholic, neutral, or mixed schools—schools, that is to say, indifferently to Catholics and non-Catholics without distinction—is forbidden to Catholic children and can only be tolerated at the discretion of bishops in special circumstances . . . neither is it admissible for Catholics to attend mixed schools . . . where religious instruction is provided and pupils receive the rest of their teaching from non-Catholic masters, together with non-Catholic children . . . For a school to be acceptable it is necessary that the whole teaching and organization of the school, namely, the teachers, the curriculum and the books—is governed by the Christian spirit, under the maternal direction and vigilance of the Church."

HART: But you are quoting the Pope's Encyclical. He may have been talking merely to Italians, or Europeans, and not to Americans.

OXNAM: Mr. Hart, when the Pope speaks, he speaks to all Roman Catholics. His authority is absolute. He speaks to all Roman Catholics just as Stalin speaks to all Communists.

Mr. Hart, there is one central fact that every American must understand. The Roman Catholic Church insists upon being both a state and a church. The Pope is not only the head of a church, but also the head of a state. He speaks as the head of a world church with spiritual interests, and also speaks as

MISS. BAPTIST SEMINARY TO OPEN OCTOBER 11



HERBERT L. LANG

Mississippi Baptist Seminary will open Tuesday, October 11, with the following new divisions:

1. Sacred music with piano, organ and voice; with special emphasis on piano lessons in the day for children.
2. Night school. Accelerated courses in elementary and adult education leading to graduation.

Registration will begin for all divisions Monday, October 3 through Friday, October 7. Night school divisions Tuesday, October 4 through Thursday, October 6 from 7 to 9 p. m.

The Seminary's new home, at 510 Parish Street, having been remodeled, will be formally opened to the public and dedicated in a one hour service from 5 to 6 p. m. Tuesday, October 11, announces its Founder-President Rev. Dr. Herbert L. Lang.

the head of a state with political and financial interests.

Unfortunately, this set-up means that the Roman Catholic Church seeks to advance its political interests as a state and the Roman Catholic state seeks to further its ecclesiastical interests as a church. Thus Roman Catholic political parties in European nations follow the Vatican line just as Communist parties follow the Moscow line. We want neither the Vatican political line nor the Moscow political line in America. We do not appreciate the interference of Paccell, the head of the Vatican state, nor of Stalin the head of the Communist state in our affairs.

Many people do not know that the Roman Catholic Church is fighting for its life in Europe. It has become so interlocked in political affairs of state, so encumbered with vast land holdings, and so allied with military and feudal reaction, that the common people are turning from it. It appears to have abandoned hope of winning by the weapons of the spirit, and seems ready to summon the world to holy war to salvage its power, its property, and its prestige.

HART: And in such a war?

OXNAM: Mr. Hart, the Kingdom of God cannot be established by the methods of war, nor can we destroy the Communist challenge to liberty by war. Roman Catholicism is conditioning the mind to authoritarianism in religion, conditions that mind to authoritarianism in politics and economics. How do you account for Communist strength in Italy itself, where we are told 99 per cent of the people are Roman Catholics?

Mr. Hart, when the American people realize how far the world political organization of the Roman Catholic church has moved into American life, there will be a reaction that will astound men who have the audacity to announce an excommunication of Protestants—what was it Cardinal Spellman wrote to Mrs. Roosevelt. "I shall not again publicly

acknowledge you." Read his almost unforgivable attack and her dignified and tolerant reply, and ask, Who represents the American spirit?

HART: I have a notion, Bishop Oxnham, that you want this entire controversy resolved in rational American fashion?

OXNAM: Those of us who want every freedom for our Roman Catholic brother we want for ourselves, insist that this whole matter shall be faced in firm but friendly fashion. But we shall not ignore the central issue, the separation of church and state. Here the state does not play religious favorites. We intend to maintain it.

HART: But Bishop Oxnham, in stating their case, Roman Catholics contend that they present truth and they are sincere in this belief.

OXNAM: No one church has an absolute monopoly upon truth. The Communists, like the Roman Catholic hierarchy, claim a monopoly on truth.

Another interesting point, the striking parallel between the organizational structure and method of the World-Wide Communist political party and the World-Wide Roman Catholic political party. Both are totalitarian. Both seek control of the minds of men everywhere. Both practice excommunication, character assassination, and economic reprisals. Neither Rome nor Moscow knows what tolerance means. Both demand blind, unthinking loyalty.

Neither Moscow nor Rome believe in the separation of church and state. Both Moscow and Rome interfere in the affairs of other states. Both Moscow and Rome seek to shackle the minds of those they control by telling them what they can read, what movies they can see, what newspapers they must take. Neither Rome nor Moscow can brook opposition. And both Moscow and Rome have perfected the Hitler technique of repeating prevarications often enough and big enough to insure their acceptance. Both seek to divide and rule, they create separatism.

HART: Just what do you mean by that term "Separatism," Bishop Oxnham?

OXNAM: Why should there be Roman Catholic Veterans, Roman Catholic Trade Unions, Roman Catholic Firemen, Roman Catholic Policemen? After all, my sons sat beside their Roman Catholic friends in the public schools, and they learned to respect each other. My sons fought side by side with Roman Catholic soldiers. Why not American veterans? American workers? Sometimes this division of American life raises a serious question.

HART: And that question, Bishop Oxnham?

OXNAM: Is all this separatism but preparation for building a Roman Catholic political party in the United States? Are we to have a political party here that follows the dictates of the Vatican line? Bear in mind there are official Roman Catholic parties in European countries. And even now similar attempts are being made by the Roman Catholic Church to form such a party in the West German State.

HART: Bishop Oxnham, a few moments ago, you said that Congressman Barden refused to bow to Catholic intimidation. How would you propose to meet what you regard as intimidation?

OXNAM: Mr. Hart . . . every American, Roman Catholic and Protestant, Jew and Gentile, all have a stake in this. Clerical control has cursed many lands, has destroyed religious freedom and led to conflict. We are resolved that clericalism shall not take root here. But this means that every newspaper owner must have courage, to print the story the church seeks to kill.

I know of a paper that was ordered not to print a story that a priest was leaving the church to marry. The editor said that was news and would run. He was threatened but saw that the freedom of the press was involved. He ran it. What happened? Despite many threats

Ira Metts Accepts Midway Pastorate



IRA F. METTS

Rev. Ira F. Metts has resigned the pastorate of the First Church, Ackerman, and other churches of Choctaw County which he has served as pastor, to accept the pastorate of Midway Church near Jackson. He will begin his new work on October 2.

He has served as pastor of the Ackerman Church since October 1, 1944. The church built a \$11,500 parsonage, which the pastor's family occupied in August of the following year.

During the five years there, the church added 175 members. One new W. M. S. circle was organized and several new auxiliaries were added. New Sunday School classes have also been organized.

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Delta Pastors Conference To Meet On October 4

The Delta Pastors' Conference will meet at Mt. Vernon Church, east of Ruleville, on Tuesday, October 4.

The program includes an opening devotional by D. I. Young, Jr.; "The View from the Pew" by Sam Jones, and an inspirational address by Dr. E. D. Elliott. Following the lunch period, H. Herrington will bring a discussion of the Bible lesson.

nothing happened. He called the bluff.

Let radio executives make their decisions too and talk straight to callers who demand, and telephones that threaten. Let all of us read Paul Blanchard's remarkable book "American Freedom and Catholic Power," paying particular attention to interference in Medicine.

HART: There is a Japanese story you told me before the broadcast that seems to me would make an excellent closing expression of this discussion.

OXNAM: It was in Hokkaido, the northern island of Japan. "I learned that extraordinary work had been done in Sapporo by the Roman Catholic Church. I wished to meet those who had led in this service. I met a Roman Catholic Sister, a beautiful woman. She was a German. After we had talked for a time, I said "Sister, when will you return to Germany?" Then tears came into her eyes.

Finally she said, "I shall never return." I said, "I do not understand you." She answered, "We Catholics, when we go to fulfill a mission, we go to stay forever. In my order, we never return."

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THE WORLD CHANGE IN MONETARY standards will benefit U. S. missionaries working in many countries, but will work a hardship on many British missionaries.

Mississippi Baptists—Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

I
About eight years ago we presented the following message in tract form. It is an ever needed message right out of the Book and out of experience which we are glad to reproduce at this time as follows:

THE CARE OF THE CHURCHES

A Question and an Experience

Compiled by

D. A. McCall, State Mission Secretary
Mississippi Baptists

"Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool.) I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft."

"Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one."

"Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;

"In journeyings often, in perils of water, in perils of robbers, in perils of mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren;

"In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness."

"Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches." II Corinthians 11:23-28.

At a recent association meeting we stated "every church on the O-mission list might be taken off that list through the loyalty of just one Christian man or Christian woman giving even as little as 25c, 50c, \$1.00 or more."

One brother in good humor asked, "Would you advise that, if you knew the church would whip you if you did it?"

We replied instantly, "Absolutely. We might be better and the Cause of Christ would prosper if some of us suffered a bit for His Name's Sake." Read Isaiah, chapter 53. Read John, chapter 19.

Then, read all Acts, chapter 5. Here was a "Council," a "senate" of God's professed (but how rebellious, how sinful) people commanding His disciples not to speak in the Name of Jesus. They whipped them. Brother, do right! Do God's Will! Others have been whipped. Read all of Hebrews, chapter eleven!

We told, the overflow congregation of the following experience.

We were packing for a revival trip. The Spirit prompted us to put in a bit of material on strong drink. Up to that time we had never preached on that subject in revival.

During the revival we heard more about "shinny" than ever before. "That person makes shinny." "A fine old mother lives there but her son makes shinny." "We used to have great revivals here until this shinny came in." We grew sick of it!

Announcement was made that we would speak to "men only" on Sunday afternoon. Something we seldom did. The ladies might come but give the men the seats needed.

The pastor and singer asked us aside, "What are you going to preach on?" "Oh, that is my responsibility. You have to live with it. I do not want to bring you into it." "But we ought to know." "All right, then, I am going to preach on shinny" (moonshine whiskey, et al). "That is just what we figured, and you are going to get run out of here and get us run out, too," said the pastor and singer. We said, "Well, I have never been run anywhere for Jesus' sake. Maybe I would be a better preacher to suffer with Jesus. It would put me in mighty good company."

The hour of the service arrived. The men covered the platform, sitting on

the floor. They took two-thirds of the building. A few women timidly came in.

After song and prayer we arose to speak. The following bit of foolishness was used to ease the tension that was evident.

"Some have said I am to be run out of here if I preach this sermon. But I am from Sullivan's Hollow myself." You could have heard a pin drop. "I used to lie down over yellow jackets nests up there, letting the jackets fly into my overalls pocket. Closing the pocket, and taking them to the school and loosing them—we had a hot time. I used to take my red bandana and wrap it around hornets nests and feed the young to canary birds. I ran upon a bear in my pathway one time and I jerked up a sharp stick and stuck his eyes out, grabbed off my galluses, threw them around his neck and choked him to death. One time I saw a bear under a tree up there. On the off side of the tree, I slipped up on that bear, grabbed him by the tail, threw my legs around the tree and held him until he starved to death." (One woman leaned over and asked the wife of the singer, "Do you reckon he really did that?")

Then I announced my sermon topic. One fellow got up from the platform and walked out. Later I was told he was one of the biggest of the moonshiners. He said to some near him "I know what he is going to say and I just do not want to take it."

We preached the sermon. We stayed there for several days. We were not "run out." We did not suffer! We were invited back the next year for a second meeting. Did not get to go. Some fine folks live there.

Oh, it is great to sing, "God Will Take Care of You," and then run away—cowardly!

Yes, it is great to sing, "Ready to suffer, grief or pain," and then flinch at the suggestion of costly loyalty.

Today the big thing is "poise." Don't get excited over the work of Jesus!

Today the big thing is "dignity." A graveyard is the most dignified thing we know about!

Today the great thing is "repression." In the New Testament it was expression—"Go tell."

Let us pray for the Spirit of God to come upon us until we will be faithful even unto death—die before being unfaithful! Doxology!

"And what shall I more say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets.

"Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

"Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

"Women received their dead raised to life again; and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:

"And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment:

"They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented;

"(Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

"And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise:

"God having provided some better

thing for us that they without us should not be made perfect." Hebrews 11:22-40.

"Faith of our fathers! living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword:

"Oh how our hearts beat high with joy Whene'er we hear that glorious word!

"Faith of our fathers! holy faith! We will be true to thee till death!

"Our fathers, chained in prisons dark, Were still in heart and conscience free:

"How sweet would be their children's fate, If they, like them, could die for thee!

"Faith of our fathers! holy faith! We will be true to thee till death!

"Faith of our fathers! We will love Both friend and foe in all our strife:

"And preach thee, too, as love knows how, By kindly words and virtuous life:

"Faith of our fathers! holy faith! We will be true to thee till death!"

II

"July 19, 1949

"MEMO TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

"Dear Brethren:

"When I came into this work Mississippi Baptists were beaten to their knees by debt, division, defeat, and depression. There is no need to detail the situation. It is well known. I gave myself to the task joyfully morning, afternoon, and night, year in and year out. Debts were paid. I looked for an opportunity at slowing down but none came. One campaign after another followed. I was asked to be in each one with a single exception. This I gladly did as a service of love. For years I have gone and gone and worked and worked with muscles literally sore and nerves hot. I have sacrificed fellowship with family and friends. Such is worthy in an emergency for Christ's sake.

"No emergency exists now. The denomination and many of our churches feed on the fat of the land.

"In addition I doggedly held on and kept going until a capable assistant was on the ground.

"I am now requesting a leave of absence for several weeks during which time I expect to have some real fellowship with my family, get some real relaxation and save what I believe to be a real threat to the impairment of my health.

"Blessings upon you.

"I am,

Your friend,
D. A. McCall"

DAM:ec

The Executive Committee better than 90 out of a 100 persons knows the load carried by this office. Through their consideration we have had some real rest and relaxation. They did ask us to "split" the time to make associations. This we are doing. In October we have the heaviest set of dates yet!

While in Chicago we "supplied" a bit, preached over the great Moody Bible radio for one week—otherwise went into "seclusion."

Went to see a Mississippian—C. K. Armstrong in a clinic at 6970 N. Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. He has been paralyzed for eight years—a former highway patrolman—hurt in an accident. Why don't you write him? It is a costly stay. Send him a dollar or several. He is a member of a Jackson church—as is his wife.

In one of our services in which I preached a young man came from the United Church of Canada. His wife came for baptism the next Sunday morning. She was a Catholic. He is now a young preacher attending Northern Baptist Seminary.

We had "supplied" another hour when a man in need of help came—but before long he went down before terrific weakness and hot temptation. Cost him his home so far.

In all my life I have never had so great opportunity to preach the Gospel, or seen God's hand upon the worship

Harvey Haywood Ordained By Stonewall Church



H. ODELL HAYWOOD

On July 3 the Stonewall Church ordained Harvey Odell Haywood into the full Gospel Ministry. This church licensed the Rev. Haywood before World War II, but when our country entered the war he left Clarke College and served in the United States Marine Corp throughout the war.

Mr. Haywood is now taking his college work at Clarke Memorial College, Newton, and is pastor of Phalt Church in Clarke County.

The church is making fine progress under his leadership. The church has gone from one-fourth to one-half time service and has had fourteen additions to its membership since July.

Rev. Haywood's wife was the former Miss Gwendolyn Ezell, also of Stonewall, Mississippi.

—BR—

DR. B. C. LAND, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY of the Mississippi Baptist Foundations will lead a revival at South McComb church, October 2-9.

services so much as these last several months. Doxology!

Mississippi Baptists have a part in it all!

III

Jesus came to save men! He put emphasis upon saving men! He first called men to become fishers of men! In parables he told of rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repented and was saved. He made the ordinances to teach processes in the salvation of men. He talked with the woman at the well with the intent of saving her! He talked with Nicodemus with the interest of saving him! He saved men from sin! He saved men from disease! He saved men from devils! He saved men from Hell! He saved men to eternal life! He saved men to righteousness! He saved men to Heaven!

The Pharisees were more interested in saving a system. They wanted to save their traditions. They wanted to save their dignity. They wanted to save their positions. They wanted to save their institutions.

If this meant beheading John the Baptist, stoning Stephen, whipping the Apostles and crucifying Jesus then they would do these things. Their institutions must be saved. Men mattered little. Their fathers had been told, "He that is wise winneth souls," but soul winning was not on their list!

Jesus broke tradition but he made MEN! Jesus smashed wrong systems but He saved Men! Jesus walked over hurtful laws but was tender in dealing with Men!

It is the Book of Jesus that teaches us "Be ye kind!"

It is Jesus who says, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye so to them!"

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How Much Time

The annual association season is now in full swing and representatives of various agencies and institutions are looking forward to these glad occasions. Most of the association sessions are pleasant but sometimes a few people get restless because some good brother, with more zeal for the cause he represents than is best for other interests to be presented at the association and, for which he has a fine appreciation, when off the platform, intrudes upon the time allotted the next speaker. The result is that he embarrasses the presiding officer and not infrequently irritates some co-worker.

It was Bishop Hughes who said: "The surest test of a man's religion is his fairness in dividing time with his fellows on a program."

Remember your time, brother. Your time is limited. Remember there are other speakers who should be heard. Stay within your time and help the moderator expedite the program of the association.

We recall a recent association where a brother was given a certain amount of time. He used that amount of time and then when the allotted time was up, proceeded to make some announcements and asked to be given time to distribute literature and one or two other things. This took about four more minutes.

We recall one moderator who said: "Brethren, we have only one day for our association. If all the other speakers take sixteen minutes when they are allotted only six minutes, how can I stick to the program?"

We are reminded of the story told at a Tennessee association. A speaker whose assigned time was fifteen minutes took forty. He closed by apologizing to the following speaker for taking "just a minute of your time."

The following speaker assured him (probably with crossed fingers) that that was all right. He

then told the following story:

A high pressure salesman was trying to sell a farmer a patented feed trough for hogs. The farmer informed him that he wasn't interested, as he had a feed trough. But, undaunted, the salesman again recounted the merits of his patented feed trough and, as he thought, used a sales-clinching argument. The unanswerable argument, as he thought, was "Even though you have troughs which are all right for feeding, my patented trough will do all that yours will do and in addition they will **SAVE TIME.**" The farmer replied, "What is time to a HOG?"

The long-winded brother soon sought and got a call to a field in another section of the state.

We understand that to most people THEIR subject is the most important of all, but remember that the other fellow feels the same way about HIS subject.

To take more time than is allotted is taking time that belongs to some other person and is a form of dishonesty. It also makes a brother a marked man and an unwelcome one.

All our causes are entitled to a fair presentation. No real parent would stuff one child and starve another. Let's take the time given, do the best we can with it, and thus make friends for ourselves and the cause we represent.

—BR—

Laymen To Sponsor Radio Hour Oct. 9

Sunday, October 9 will be Layman's Day among Southern Baptists. More than a million Baptist men in 21 states will be listening across the country on that day to hear The Baptist Hour. Lawson H. Cooke, executive secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood, S. B. C., with headquarters in Memphis, Tennessee, has announced that local Brotherhoods throughout the Convention will support that goal of listeners.

The laymen will hear Dr. R. G. Lee, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of the Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, preach on the subject "Needed, Magnificent Men In A Muddled World." The message is the second of thirteen Dr. Lee will deliver during the first series of the new Baptist Hour broadcasts being heard every Sunday the year-round on some 130 ABC network stations.

Baptist Hour observance of Laymen's Day has been characterized by S. F. Lowe, director of the Southern Baptist Radio Commission, as "the greatest thing I've ever heard of for binding together at the throne of God the hearts of Christian men across the country."

Start Monday

The Mississippi State Fair is to be held in Jackson October 10-17. If we recall correctly each fair has as a part of its program gambling in one form or another.

Concerning one of the State Fairs the Jackson Chief of Police, Joel D. Holden, said, "Open and state anti-gambling laws at the flagrant violation of the city and Mississippi State Fair Grounds must cease."

This statement was issued after the Chief of Police had ordered the closure of five carnival concessions on the mid-way. Two of the places involved in the gambling night and three others were shut-up on Thursday.

We are giving notice in plenty of time so that there will be no excuse. The notice is this: If can be seen on Monday as well as on Wednesday and Thursday. If somebody goes to the fair ground and is drunk and disorderly on Monday, the police will arrest him on Monday and not wait until he has been drunk all day Monday, and all day Tuesday and all day Wednesday before they find out that he is drunk. In other words, we are saying gambling should be stopped when the fair starts rather than when it is almost over.

Another part of the statement of Chief Holden was "No arrests have been made and operators of the places involved in the gambling offered no resistance to the order."

Gambling is against the law and if people are going to be arrested for other violations of the law they should also be arrested for gambling. Why the preference for gamblers?

We are now suggesting to our law enforcement officers that they begin to enforce the law the day the fair opens and not when the fair is almost over.

—BR—

Charges Not Proven

Our readers will recall that some months ago we carried several articles concerning what is known as the "Dixon Case." This was a case at Dixon, New Mexico, where the Catholics had taken over several schools. The Protestants had to go to court to get a judgment to forbid this.

It seems that a spite case was recently instituted against four Protestant teachers. They were charged with holding a graduation exercise in a church and that the four teachers had distributed Protestant church literature.

As to the literature, it has been proven that it was old literature that had been placed in the school house many, many years ago and simply was found during the sum-

mer, not during a school term. The teachers had not used it at all.

Judge Carmody held, however, that these charges were not proven. He also ruled that "holding a graduation exercise in a church where no religion, strictly speaking, is brought into the program is not a violation of the law."

—BR—

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

Compulsory Chapel Attendance Commended

Recently Dr. Arnold S. Nash, Chairman of the Department of Religion at the University of North Carolina, made the statement that "compulsory chapel service should be held by all church colleges." In explaining the basis for this statement Dr. Nash stated: "The essential point I was trying to make was that the church-related college should stand by its principles. No educational institution, I argued, that is really worth its salt entertains the idea of optional examinations, i. e., if we interpret the word examination sufficiently widely to indicate means according to which the abilities of students can be estimated. If a church-related college feels (and most of them do) that examinations are sufficiently important to be compulsory, then I do not see why religious services should not be compulsory. If they are made optional, then that is equivalent to saying that the college authorities do not regard them, as they do examinations, as being really important. In other words, if a church-related college were to make both attendance at examinations and attendance at college services optional, then such a college would be saying that both examinations and services are equally important."

(Sounds like good sense to us.—R. B. J.)

—Biblical Recorder.

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Edgefield Makes Progress

Edgefield Church, Attala County, has made notable progress during the past year under the leadership of Pastor Hayward Moore. The church program now includes Sunday School and Training Union each Sunday, mid-week prayer services and supports half-time preaching services. Grass has recently been planted on the church grounds, the church has been repainted and repaired, and an attic fan has been installed. A new fence has been constructed around the cemetery.

The summer has included a full program. There were 47 enrolled in the VBS, in which Misses Johnnie Riley and Ruth Woods assisted. An offering of \$11 was sent to the Co-operative Program.

During August Pastor Moore did the preaching in the revival and David Smitherman, of Alabama, led the singing. There were nine additions, eight for baptism. Also in August, Rev. John E. Barrow, pastor at Sturgis, taught "Building a Standard Sunday School" to an average attendance of 25.

Sparks & Splinters

THE MUSIC AND VOICE DEPARTMENT of Clarke is over-crowded in spite of the fact that a new voice teacher, Miss Edith Alexandria, has been made assistant to Mrs. Frances Townsend, the director of the Music Department. Also a student of remarkable music ability, Miss Mary Alice Ditsworth, has been added to the teaching staff.

MANY OF US HERE AT THE SANATORIUM look forward each week to the coming of the Record. Our chaplain, Rev. J. O. Ware (Methodist) and Rev. J. B. Smith, pastor of the Magee Church, are rendering a fine service here. My condition is very much improved. Am able to be up several hours daily. God's richest blessings be upon you in the great work you are doing.

—C. S. THOMAS

FIRST CHURCH, GULFPORT, REV. Joe T. Odle, pastor, has adopted a budget of \$55,000 for the coming year. Of this, \$15,000 will go for missions and another \$15,000 will be used for furnishing the new building, remodeling the basement, and general improvements for the church property.

A DESIGN FOR SAFE DRIVING (\$2) By Haskell B. Schultz has had a wide distribution and is recommended as a textbook. Author Schultz has spent many years in research for constructive material on accident prevention. He offers this book for practical application to all drivers. Order from the Christopher Publishing House, Boston, or the Baptist Book Store.

THE BAPTIST WOMEN IN THE SAN ANTONIO ASSOCIATION (San Antonio, Texas) have organized an Auxiliary to the Baptist Memorial Hospital in that city. At present the Auxiliary is cooperating with the chaplain in supplying magazines, and, through the Grace McBride Y. W. A., a Bookmobile, to serve the convalescent patients; besides the ever-present need for linens, it furnishes volunteer workers, as nurses' aides on three days per week, to the Tumor Clinic, which it sponsors, as well as the Charity Clinic, and is building a Blood Bank.

HIGHLAND CHURCH, MERIDIAN, Rev. E. L. Byrd, pastor, has adopted a budget of \$32,500 for the coming year. It is to be divided as follows: local operations, \$16,250; Cooperative Program, \$3,250; building fund, \$13,000. The building fund now totals \$59,273.

THE SIXTH TEXAS BAPTIST HOSPITAL, built at a cost of \$1,250,000, was opened September 5 at Beaumont.

CIVIC-MINDED AMERICANS WILL want to read the book by Robert E. Kith Leavitt, "COMMON SENSE ABOUT FUND RAISING." (\$2). This edition clarifies the issue of Federated versus Independent fund raising. All who are interested in raising money for charity, health, welfare or endowments on a national scale will be particularly interested in this volume. Order from The Reuben H. Donnelley Corporation, 305 E. 45th St., New York.

CONGRESSMAN JACOBS OF INDIANAPOLIS, a devout Roman Catholic, made the following statement: "As long as we have the same right to send our children to public schools as anyone else we are not discriminated against. And as Catholics we do not have the right to a separate, publicly supported school system, nor does any other group of people have such right. Whatever can be constitutionally done to aid a child will win my support. However, I cannot and will not support any measure that grants public aid to private or parochial schools. We have the right to build and maintain our churches, but not to build or maintain them with public funds. Our parochial schools are an adjunct to our religion."

TELEGRAM

A. L. Goodrich, Editor
Baptist Record

BAPTIZED ONE HUNDRED FOUR, YEAR ENDING THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST RECORD FOR DELTA AND FOLK REJOICING. REGARDS—PASTOR E. D. ELLIOTT, GREENVILLE.

AT THE INSISTENCE OF HIS HOME church, The First Baptist, Nashville, Dr. T. L. Holcomb is holding the first regular revival he has served since elected secretary of the Sunday School Board.

ON OCTOBER 2, MISS ARONELLE Lofton, a member of the Brookhaven High School faculty, will complete four years as Superintendent of the Sunday School of New Prospect Church, Lincoln County. The Sunday School has increased in number as well as in efficiency. Miss Lofton is also a faithful worker in all other church activities. During the summer vacation months she has taught study courses, and also directed Vacation Bible Schools. Geraldine Foote, reporter.

REV. HENRY BUCKLEW, PASTOR of Pearl City Church, Rankin County, has opened a used bookstore at 124 W. Capitol Street, Jackson. This will also be the office of the Southern Baptist News, which he owns and edits.

"PRACTICAL HELPS FROM THOSE Who Use the Standard" is a good article which appears in the October issue of The Sunday School Builder. Among others are suggestions submitted by Mrs. S. C. Ray, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg.

Another excellent article in the Sunday School Builder of October is "Values We Have Found in the Standards," which gives the testimony of many outstanding leaders. You will be interested to read the testimony of Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, under the sub-head "A Means to Constructive Unity."

THE BETTER CHRISTMAS (\$1) BY Dr. Hight C. Moore and published by The Broadman Press, is a beautiful presentation of the attitude that every born again person should have at Christmas. It should be read aloud in every family group before and during the Christmas season. "Christmas is a matter of spirit more than anything else, and it must be the spirit of Christ or it can never be the better Christmas." Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or to the publisher.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—(RNS)—Ambulances and private cars brought 21 bedridden, blind or otherwise afflicted persons to a special service at the Seventh Street Baptist church here. The shut-ins were placed in cots or seated in wheel-chairs before the pulpit, where the Rev. Thomas J. Tichenor, pastor, gave a sermon that was a message of comfort for the sick.

THE \$10,000 INTERNATIONAL FICTION Contest Winner will be released on September 20. The winner, written by Guy Howard, is **GIVE ME THY VINEYARD** (\$3). Author Howard is known as "The Walkin' Preacher of the Ozarks," and is the author of the book by that name. In his new book, Hiram Jackson, a powerful man in the Ozarks, becomes an innocent outlaw. Near the climax of the book a stranger brings him the plan of salvation; from then on things work out better for Hiram, including his love affair with Rose Burney. The book achieves a superb blend of the Christian philosophy and art. Order from the Zondervan Publishing House.

THE 1,694,024 MEMBERS OF THE Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, gave \$51,399,482 for all causes during 1947, \$44.87 for each adult church member. The Lutherans also report 92,487 students attended the 1,231 parochial schools maintained by the group.

W. W. MILLER ACCEPTS OAK GROVE PASTORATE



REV. W. W. MILLER

Rev. W. W. (Bill) Miller has accepted the pastorate of Oak Grove Church in Bonita and has moved on the church field. Mr. Miller has served Mississippi churches and recently has served as pastor at Sidon and at Schiater.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College of the Louisville, Seminary.

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OCTOBER 23 IS STATE MISSION Day in the Sunday Schools.

THE TRAINING UNION DEPARTMENT reports 28,752 awards for the month of August.

PIERRE, S. D.—(RNS)—STATE LAW does not permit school districts in South Dakota to furnish bus transportation for parochial school students, it has been ruled by Attorney General Sigurd Anderson. He said transportation of students enrolled in parochial schools is contrary to constitutional provisions, by imposing additional tax burdens on residents when public schools are available.

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REV. N. O. PATTERSON

ATMORE, Ala.—Funeral services for the Rev. N. O. Patterson, who supervised the construction of 46 church buildings during his lifetime, were held Friday afternoon, September 16, at the Sardis Baptist Church, near Atmore.

Interment was in the Sardis Cemetery.

The Rev. Patterson died Thursday at the family residence at Canoe. He was 87 years old and resigned the pastorate of the Canoe Baptist Church only a few months ago when his health began to fail.

Born in Pennsylvania

Mr. Patterson was born at Gettysburg, Pa., in 1862, just one year before the famous Civil War battle was fought at that place. He first studied architecture and became a graduate architect before he was ordained to the ministry in the Northern Baptist Convention.

He preached and built churches in many Northern states, holding pastorates as far west as Wyoming, before he came to South Alabama about 1918.

Planned Pascagoula Church

While pastor of the First Church, Pascagoula, he directed construction of the first units of that church.

The 46 new churches built under his direction are in eight states.

Surviving Mr. Patterson are his wife, Mrs. Stella Myrick Patterson; one son, Dr. E. N. Patterson, a professor at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; six daughters: Mrs. L. H. Baldridge, Decatur, Ill.; Mrs. P. H. Sesie, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. T. E. Newell, Kansas City, Kan.; Mrs. L. H. Barner, Utica, N. Y.; Mrs. Charles Ingram, Pensacola, and Mrs. John Turberville, Century, Fla.; 30 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and other relatives.

VINCENT SAYS FRANCE IS

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nomination in this war-weary land.

Only 21 churches make up the Baptist Union, with nearly that many more independent of any affiliation. The churches in the Union have about 2,000 members. Dr. Vincent's members number 240. The pastor was educated in the University of Paris, and in Rochester Seminary, New York, as a classmate of Dr. Theodore F. Adams, pastor of the First Church in Richmond. He is strongly evangelical, on fire for preaching the gospel in a land where in the past it has sounded strange indeed.

Out of some 49,000,000 people in France, the Catholics claim about 7,000,000. All Protestants claim only about 1,000,000 more. That leaves about 82 per cent of the people belonging to no church at all.

"It is one of the most godless, unbelieving and unchurched countries on earth," said Dr. Vincent. "Yet now the people are hungry for spiritual things. Our Catholic friends are steadily losing their hold on the people. What we could do with a dozen live, earnest evangelists!"

Now that we Baptists have a seminary just opened at Zurich, Baptists of France have agreed to send ministerial students there. They are seeking to encourage young ministers to get adequate training.

An opportunity to establish churches immediately exists in many parts of France, says Pastor Vincent. During the war, enough Baptists were found at Lyons to organize a church. They bought a plot of ground for a church building—with the help of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Now Dr. George W. Sadler, acting president of the Zurich seminary, plans to visit the field soon to see what Southern Baptists might do to aid in the building.

In Bordeaux, Brest, Metz and many other cities, Baptist groups await pastors and leadership to start their worship and organized work. At Mior, in the region of many western French Protestants, Baptist believers meet in the labor union hall, and are ready to buy a building for a place of worship. Here five are to be baptized soon into the fellowship.

"What is your greatest need?" I asked.

"Trained leaders!" Pastor Vincent answered. "Of course we desperately need funds for expanding the work. But we need preachers! Next spring we are sending one out with a tent. I believe that people would flock to hear tent preaching all over France. If we had many more scholarships for young ministers, we could march forward into the field ripe for evangelizing."

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THE FOLLOWING STATIONS WILL carry the south-wide Radio Hour at 2:30 each Sunday afternoon: WHYS, Hattiesburg; WSLI, Jackson; WTOK, Meridian; and WGCM, Gulfport at 4 p. m.

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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

RIVER AVENUE, HATTIESBURG

River Avenue Church under the leadership of Pastor Garland McInnis continues to grow. They have erected a new \$25,000 brick building with a \$15,000 educational building yet to be built.

Since April, 26 have been baptized and several now await baptism. The men's brotherhood is active and by some is called "The Men's Flying Squadron." All the auxiliaries are active and the attendance during the summer has held up remarkably well.

Recently two young men were licensed to preach and three young men have been ordained within the past three years.

Record readers in Lebanon Association are now listed as follows: Brooklyn, 68; Cartersville, 46; Rawles Springs, 77; Dixie, 46; Glendale, 47; Green's Creek, 62; Hattiesburg, First, 505; Hattiesburg, Bouie St., 49; Hattiesburg, Main St., 756; Hattiesburg 28th Avenue, 55; aHattiesburg 5th Avenue, 279; Hattiesburg, 38th Avenue, 71; Immanuel, 90; Irene Chapel, 35; Lakeview, 13; McLaurin, 59; Macedonia, 36; Petal-Harvey, 175; Providence, 103; River Ave., 66; Zion Hill, 72; Big Level, 47; Perkinson, 46; Wiggins, 94; McHenry, 19; Carvary, 26; Corinth, 33; Greenville, 31; Hickory Grove, 48; Lumberton, 139; Oral 60; Pruivs, 110; Sumrall, 47; Fruitland Park, 1.

ZION ASSOCIATION

Pastor J. W. Nolan and Hebron Church were excellent hosts to the Zion Association which met there on September 21. The second day's session was held with Edgeworth Church.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. L. W. Estes; clerk, Rev. S. J. Smith; treasurer, Bunyan Putnam.

All churches of the association were represented. A good program had been prepared and all objects had a good hearing. The Baptist Record was given a good place on the morning program and several people promised EVERY FAMILY lists in the near future.

Alva Church, Rev. Roy Honeycut, pastor, was admitted to the association. The church was organized a few months ago.

Baptist Record subscribers in Zion Association are now listed as follows: Bluff Springs, 3; Cross Roads, 36; Double Springs, 22; Edgeworth, 2; Eupora, 105; Fellowship (Belfountain), 3; Harmony, 1; Mantee, 45; Mathiston, 70; Monte Vista, 2; New Hope, 41; Old Cumberland, 1; Reeds Chapel, 37; Sapa, 1; Walthall, 2; New Liberty, 1; Spring Hill, 26.

REVEALING FIGURES

While waiting between associations we did some comparing concerning the gifts of the churches of an association whose figures on contributions had come into our hands.

We found that 11 churches with no Baptist Record subscriptions having a total membership of 1229 members gave during the past associational year a total of \$306.07 for missions. This was an average of approximately 25 cents per member per year.

In that same association one church with less than 200 members having the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY plan gave for the same purpose a total of over \$323. Another church in

Deerbrook VBS Enrolls 70



Deerbrook Church in Noxubee County had 70 enrolled in a Vacation Bible School in August. Rev. Tom Douglas is pastor and Mrs. Harvey Haggard served as superintendent.

The faculty included Miss Jane Haggard; Mrs. Edmond Von Kanel, Miss Erlene Miller, Miss Ruth Baldwin, Mrs. Wayne Eaves, Miss Carolyn Haggard, Mrs. Bill Moore, Mrs. Eugene Butler, Mrs. Delbridge Russell Miss Betty Butler.

The mission offering was sent to the Cooperative Program.

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WALNUT STREET CHURCH, LOUISVILLE, Kentucky, Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, pastor, is observing its Centennial October 9-12. An attractive booklet giving the program for the entire period has been published by the church.

the same association with the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY plan and having approximately 150 members gave more than \$475 for missions. Several other churches did as well.

In other words, two churches having less than 350 members but having the EVERY FAMILY plan gave more than twice as much as 11 churches with more than 1,200 members without the EVERY FAMILY plan. The EVERY FAMILY churches average \$2.45 per member. The non-Baptist Record churches average 25 cents per member.

From these figures it is easily seen that the Baptist Record does help. In most cases, churches with the BAPTIST RECORD do more than churches without the BAPTIST RECORD.

HALF-MILE IS NO. 963

As always when Rev. John E. Gore becomes pastor of a church he leads them to adopt the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record.

His latest effort is to lead Half-Mile Church, Leflore County, to adopt the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record.

The list has already been received and the papers are going. No doubt from now on those good people of Half Mile Church are going to know more about Baptist business throughout the world.

Record readers in Leflore County are now listed as follows: Half Mile, 15; Calvary, Greenwood, 243; Greenwood, First, 636; Lowland, 14; Morgan City, 35; Mount Vernon 28; Riverside, 56; Schlater, 48; Sidon, 43; Itta Bena 135.

107 Join Extracurricular Groups at Blue Mountain

BLUE MOUNTAIN—During rush week at Blue Mountain College 107 students joined the extracurricular groups as follows: Eunomians, 45; Euzelians, 23; Modenians, 39.

Eunomians: Olive Belle Hall, Knoxville, Tenn.; Olga Villalobos, El Progreso Yoro, Honduras, C. A.; Mary Alice Gray, Verona; Jeanette Collier, Kewanee; Sue Tomlinson, Walnut; Peggy Workman, Woodruff, S. C.; Betty Mitchell, Estill Springs, Tenn.; Doris Blankenship, Black Mountain, N. C.; Melna Sledge, Shaw; Myrtis Moore, Belden; Betty Butler, Brooksville; Frances May Boswell, Macon; Janice Morris, Macon; Martha Frances Davis, Houlika; Betty Jean Hardin, Pittsboro; Jane Haggard, Columbus; Polly Davis, Grenada; Doris Mahanes, Hikon Village, Va.; Virginia Parsell, Louisville, Ky.; Mary Louise Gravlee, Amory; Rose Marie Dickerson, Ripley; Lola May Riddle, Kelso, Tenn.; Ramona Blaydes, Oakland, Tenn.; Rubye McGee, Bruce; Gloria Cann, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Evelyn Haddon, Ramer, Tenn.; Margaret Roberts, Blue Springs; Bobby Ann Channell, Gallman; Lois French, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Lily Catherine Morrison, Jackson; Shirley Rust, Montgomery, Ala.; Ethel Pearl Jackson, Coldwater; Jean Smith, Montgomery, Ala.; Floretta Clarkson, Clifton Forge, Va.; Beverly Berry, Houston, Tex.; Katherine Holland, Calhoun City; Jane Anderson, Booneville; Edith Steele, Nashville, Tenn.; Bettye Lou Bondurant, Fairfield, Ala.; Dorothy Jean Chrestman, Bruce; Sue Garner, Booneville; Perrin Turner, Marks; Dimple Goforth, Ripley; Tawanda Davis, Falkner; Alma Dee Taylor, Blue Mountain.

Euzelians: Ann Boren, Potts Camp; Margaret Owen, Charleston; Sara Jo Selby, Charleston; Sara Alice Renshaw, Tupelo; Mary Catherine Hall, Stanford, Ky.; Beverly Ann Guyton, Blue Mountain; Ruthie MacArthur, Quincy, Ill.; Hope McArthur, Quincy, Ill.; Bobbye Franks, Tupelo; Alice Donnell Blue Mountain; Bobbie Long, Tupelo; Eleanor Ann Parker, Laurel; Carolyn Cooper, Tupelo; Betty Owen Long, Ripley; Jean Simpson, Jackson; Miriam Stacy, Tupelo; Margaret Rushon, Laurel; Betty Carole Osborne, Kenvir, Ky.; Mary Jo Terburg, Homestead, Fla.; Marie Prewitt, Pontotoc; Emma Holmes, Tupelo; Helen Henderson, Sallito; Jeanne LeBoeuf, Glasgow, Ky.

Modenians: Bobbye Ruth Gillespie, New Albany; Darleen Brown, Indian Head, Md.; Loleta LeGates, Indian Head, Md.; Jean Sego, Florence, Ala.; Virginia Harrington, Aberdeen; Frances Anderson, Belzoni; Norma Pugh, Red Bay, Ala.; Shirley Farmer, Richmond, Va.; Jo Ann Jones, Waynesboro, Tenn.; Clara Sue Haggard, Waynesboro, Tenn.; Peggy Ann Green, Marianna, Ark.; Mary Martha McClain, Quincy, Fla.; Joan Scott, Saulsbury, Tenn.; Rae Hilbun, Clarksdale; Hazel Hitt, Blue Springs; Chrystal Neal, Montgomery, Ala.; Jessie Smith, Blue Mountain; Bonnie Mae Gadd, Ashland; Faye Wilkes, Meridian; Maxine Fincher, Manila, Ark.; Rebecca Barnette, Philadelphia; Betty Jane Gill, Hayti, Mo.; Peggy Ann Reed, Hayti, Mo.; Sara Beth Jordan, Kosciusko; Julia Belle Choats, Corinth; Kathryn Golding, Pontotoc; Martha Edge, Montgomery, Ala.; Peggy Gill, Hayti, Mo.; Jessie Hankins, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Melle Gene Blanks, Greenwood; June Warren, Pontotoc; Bettye Gray Jackson, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Creely Neal Myatt, Houston; Betty Lou Swetman, Laurel; Margie Ann Gregg, Starkville; Mable Ann Gee, Lambert; Marilyn Bourland, Thompsonville, Ill.; Nancy Jo Walls, Harrisburg; Maud Katherine Killgore, Birmingham, Ala.

The Braille Evangel Reports Completion of Three Years Of Service This Month



During the recent three years the reading constituency of The Braille Evangel has grown from 150 to 5,000 finger-tip readers, representing our 48 states and 25 foreign countries. This religious monthly magazine for the blind has been supported as a "world-wide literary mission enterprise" by gifts from Southern Baptist churches totaling \$19,549 since October, 1946.

Due to the high cost of braille printing, The Braille Evangel is distributed to its readers through benevolent support. A Gift subscription of \$10 from your church will enable us to send The Braille Evangel to four readers for one year. Such a gift from each of 730 donors is needed now for meeting the operating cost this year.

The content is evangelistic, educational, and devotional. The 64 pages each month contain choice articles in the form of sermons, stories, religious verse, sacred music, Bible study and a variety of other readings on Christian life, which are selected largely from our Southern Baptist state papers.

Will you help to send the encouragement and good cheer of this gospel to those who must use "fingers for eyes?"—Edwin Wilson, Managing Editor, The Braille Evangel, Seminary Hill Station, Fort Worth 10, Texas.

MAIN ST., HATTIESBURG ADDS THIRD SERVICE TO SUNDAY BROADCASTS

Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Dr. John E. Barnes, pastor, has added a third program to its Sunday schedule of broadcasts.

More than four years ago a Gospel Hour was begun, a thirty minute broadcast beginning at 8:15 each Sunday morning, using a male quartet and a message. The 11 o'clock worship hour has been broadcast for a year.

The latest to be added is the broadcast of the evening worship service. It will be heard each Sunday evening over radio station WFOR-FM. The first two programs will continue over radio station WFOR.

Dr. Barnes says, "We have many glorious experiences in the past of conversions by our radio ministry and in reaching persons by radio who would never come to our church."

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REV. CARL BATES, MISSISSIPPI, has reported a good revival Sept. 11-25 at First Church, Texarkana, Texas, where he is pastor. Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., was the evangelist and Mel Dibble led the singing.

Foreign Mission Advance

M. THERON RANKIN
Executive Secretary

GENEVIEVE GREER
Editorial Assistant



Are You God's Good Steward?

God's Hurry, by Duke K. McCall, will help you know the meaning of stewardship and your responsibility as a steward of God in today's world. Be sure to get it from your book store and study it during your stewardship week preceding the budget-making season in your church.

The advance of God's Kingdom depends on the stewardship of his people.

EUROPEAN SEMINARY

The Baptist Theological Seminary in Zurich, Switzerland, opened its first session with the inauguration and dedication program September 4 and 5.

Presented on the program were Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn and Dr. W. O. Lewis of the Baptist World Alliance; Dr. Johannes Norgaard of the Baptist Seminary in Denmark; Rev. E. Pfister of the Salem Baptist Church in Zurich, president of the Baptist Convention of German-speaking Switzerland; Dr. Jesse D. Franks of the Southern Baptist Relief Committee; Dr. Edwin A. Bell of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society; and Dr. George W. Sadler of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

The first session began with a capacity enrollment of 25 students, who came from ten countries: Germany, France, U. S. A., Belgium, Holland, Austria, Norway, Denmark, Finland and Italy. The five seminary teachers are of four different nationalities: English American, Swiss and Hungarian. All instruction is given in English.

The four-year course of study includes subjects designed to prepare students for the Christian ministry. In addition, a preparatory department is provided in the seminary for those students who have not completed their general education.

Members of the seminary faculty are: Dr. Arthur B. Crabtree, Dr. John Allen Moore, Dr. John D. W. Watts, Dr. Claus Meister, and Dr. Alexander Haraszti. Members of the staff are: Dr. Sadler, president; Dr. Franks, administration secretary and chairman of public relations; Miss Heidi Scherrer, dietitian and house mother; and Miss Eunice Parker, president's secretary.

NEW MISSIONARIES

Mr. and Mrs. James Lee Garrett of Georgia were appointed missionaries to Latin America, and Mr. and Mrs. James Avery Clarke of Mississippi were approved as contract workers

for Nigeria at the September meeting of the Foreign Mission Board.

Through oversight, our list of April appointees failed to include Rev. and Mrs. Marion D. Oates, who are now in language school at Medellin, Colombia, preparing for work in Chile.

HAWAII

Missionary Victor Koon, pastor of the Olivet Baptist Church, Honolulu, was elected field secretary of the Hawaiian Baptist Mission at the September 8 meeting of the Foreign Mission Board.

Secretary M. Theron Rankin, who returned from the Hawaiian Islands on September 5, recommended the election of a field secretary after a two weeks' survey of the mission work there. Although the Hawaiian work has been, for convenience, classified as a part of the Orient area, its administration has been handled by the executive secretary of the Board during the residence of Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, Secretary for the Orient, in China.

Unusually rapid expansion of Baptist work in the Islands makes necessary a representative there to act for the Board. Mr. Koon's missionary status will remain unchanged, although his new duties will make it necessary for him to resign his pastoral work.

Southern Baptists have 37 missionaries in Hawaii, most of them under appointment only a few years. There are seven regularly organized churches with 1,242 members, 24 Sunday schools with 2,500 pupils; 16 outstations, 38 young people's organizations with about 900 members. Work was begun there in 1940.

A new Hawaiian Baptist academy is opening this fall. The building for the academy and many of the new church buildings on the Islands have been made possible by funds given by Woman's Missionary Union of the South.

MISSIONARY JOHN LAKE

Dr. John Lake, founder of the leper colony on Tai Kam Island, off the coast of south China, died August 28 at Kansas City, Missouri. Born in South Carolina in 1870, he was appointed missionary for South China in 1903 and served there until his retirement in 1939. He had preached in every state in the United States and in about thirty other countries.

The leper colony was established in the early 1920's. Work was disrupted by the late war, but has been re-established under the direction of Missionary Rex Ray. John Lake, Incorporated, an American organization, raised for the colony an endowment fund of \$81,356.56, which is being held in trust by the Foreign Mission Board. The property includes twelve dormitories, the hospital, administration building, church and chapel.

Dr. and Mrs. Joshua Yeung, a young Chinese couple, were recently secured for the colony. It will be under their care when Dr. and Mrs. Ray leave for furlough within the next few months.

FOREIGN MISSION CONFERENCE

Total registration for the Foreign Missions Conference at Ridgecrest this summer was 944, one of the largest in its history. This number includes the young men's and writers'

HIGHLAND, TISHOMINGO ASSOC., REVIVAL ADD 62



Baptismal scene following the revival at Highland Church, Tishomingo County.

Highland Church in Tishomingo Association held a revival recently in which Rev. E. E. Neill did the preaching. There were 62 additions, 52 on profession of faith and four men surrendered to the ministry.

At the beginning of this association year there were 100 enrolled in the Sunday School. After three busses were employed to bring the people in, the attendance increased to 219 and another bus has been employed. The busses follow four routes and cost the church \$16 per Sunday. The first Vacation Bible School in the history of the church was held during the summer.

In February a Training Union was organized with 54 members and since transportation has been provided it has grown to 173.

A stone church, which was built about 2 1-2 years ago, was dedicated during the year. Funds are now being raised to add several Sunday School rooms to the building.

Rev. Albert Hamilton is the pastor.

Basketball League Organized

Thompson and Tangipahoe Churches in Pike County and East Fork Church in Amite County have organized a basketball league. Games and practice sessions will be held in the Marshall High School gym each Monday night, and the mid-season tournament is set for December 26.

The league invites other churches in the area to join them in this Christian recreational program.

groups which met at the same time and whose programs were arranged to include the principal addresses on the Foreign Mission program.

Centered on the Advance Program, the conference presented each regional area through addresses, conferences, visual features, and personal contacts with missionary and nationals. Missionary education methods were studied in workshop groups. The Sermon on the Mount was studied in the daily Bible study period.

Serving as a picture window through which the whole world comes to view, the Foreign Missions Conference is increasingly interesting today when the world is becoming one big neighborhood.

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WANTED: THE BAPTIST RECORD wants to know who has attended the most meetings of the State Convention. Plans are being made to honor the person with the record of attending the most conventions. Send name and number of years to the Editor of the Baptist Record, Jackson, Mississippi.

CLERGYMAN CONDUCTS SERVICES OUTSIDE BARS

MIAMI, Fla.—(RNS)—A group of liquor tavern owners here are protesting against a Baptist clergyman who conducts street services near their places of business.

One bar owner said the Rev. J. Robert Cockerell of the West Little River Baptist church conducts an anti-liquor crusade in front of the tavern on Saturday nights. The crusade includes hymn-singing and preaching over a loud-speaker.

Mr. Cockerell said he had a permit from Dade County officials to conduct his services as long as they don't become a nuisance. He added that he has asked police protection because his life has been threatened.

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NEW CHURCH ORGANIZED IN PONTOTOC COUNTY

On Sunday, Sept. 11, at 10 a. m. in the building commonly known as the "Cairo Church House," in Pontotoc County, there was organized a new Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. H. W. McDonald.

In this building which had been given for church and worship purposes a group of people had been meeting for several years and actually maintaining a good Sunday school and Training Union, throughout the years. In times past some had talked about the organization of a church in this place, but nothing ever came of it. When Mr. McDonald came to the place for service he began to emphasize the need for the organization of a Baptist Church. The people agreed and the letters were called from the several churches where the Baptist people held membership.

Eleven were present with their letters on the morning of the organizing. They were: Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Shettles, Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Black, Mr. and Mrs. Lester McMillan, Mrs. A. P. Carruth, Mr. Irvin Cobb, Mrs. Malcomb Brown, Miss Dorothy Jean McMillan, and Miss Mildred Myers.

Immediately upon the organization of the church 30 responded to the invitation for baptism. H. G. West, of Ecu, and Malley Brown assisted Mr. McDonald in the organization service.

Until the selection of permanent officers, Mr. McDonald serves as pastor and Dayton Black as clerk of the newly organized church. The church gives every promise of growing into one of our strongest rural churches in this section of the state.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

R. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
MRS. P. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary

NEW YEAR'S PROGRAM

October is the beginning of a new Sunday school year. The one just closed has been great, and may we work and pray that the new one may be even greater in all good things.

The Southern Baptist Sunday School Program for the new year is as follows: 500,000 net enrollment gain; 200,000 additional complete families in Sunday school; 2,000 additional churches with a full-time program of work; an expanding Bible-teaching program, and all efforts centered in winning people to Christ.

The expanding Bible-teaching program includes these items: An enriched Sunday morning session; a Vacation Bible school; January Bible study week; Using Bible books in the Training course, and daily family Bible study.

This is surely a challenging program and one that is full enough to satisfy all of us. The big part is to do our best to measure up to it in the greatest possible way.

Let's start at the very beginning of the new year to make it, under God's leadership, the best yet.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The way to reach the people is to go where they are. That is one of the great advantages in starting new schools. Every new school reaches some people that were not in school. Therefore, the more schools we have, the more people we will reach.

Recently new schools have been organized at a new church—Central—in Hattiesburg, and three in Attala Association under the leadership of Missionary Kenneth G. Hall.

Many new ones have been organized this year. Let us know of all these new schools. And remember that the first quarter's literature can be secured free for any new school.

AN ENCOURAGING FIGURE

While it is true that there are millions of people who are not enrolled in any Sunday school, yet it is encouraging to us to know that 29 per cent of the total Sunday school enrollment of all denominations is in Southern Baptist schools.

Some people have been praying, working, thinking, studying, planning, organizing, visiting. And the more of these good things that we do the more people we will reach for Bible study.

How grateful we should be for all those who have wrought so well and faithfully through these many years in building greater Sunday schools!

HELPS FOR WORKERS

Are there really good helps for Sunday school workers?

To be sure there are and such good ones, too. Isn't it great that there is something in printed materials that will help every one in school? That is a great blessing. And as we use these good helps, we help both ourselves as workers and also those who are in our schools, departments, and classes.

The Sunday School Builder is the greatest periodical we have for helping us. If we will but study these ideas and suggestions, how much greater schools we would have!

Then, there are the teachers' books, the pupils' books, the many free leaflets on all parts of the work, and

the special books and materials that are available.

So, have an ample supply of all good helps for your workers as the new year begins the first of October. There will be many new workers and they will need those. And the workers not new will need them also. All of us need the best to work with in order to get the best results.

NEED A NEW CLASS?

Does your school need some new classes?

Well, if it doesn't it is one of but few. Not many Sunday schools are there but that need more classes, and that right now.

Remember: Most of the new people are reached through the new units. Just try it and be convinced.

And what better time is there for organizing new classes than at the beginning of the new Sunday school year? And that time is now upon us. Try out a new class, or possibly several, and get them to work hard to reach their prospects, and you will have some new people coming your way.

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DR. R. C. CAMPBELL RESIGNS AT LITTLE ROCK

Upon the advice of his physician that he should get from under the heavy load of pastoral duties, Dr. R. C. Campbell has resigned the pastorate of the First church, Little Rock, Ark. He plans to move to his native state of North Carolina and will live at Shelby.

Perhaps no church has accepted the resignation of its pastor with a greater degree of regret, or with a greater degree of love and appreciation for their pastor. An indication of the appreciation of the church for Dr. and Mrs. Campbell and his ministry with the church is their action in releasing Dr. Campbell from all responsibilities and duties immediately, so that he might have complete rest. The church also voted to pay his moving expenses to Shelby, North Carolina, and elected him Pastor Emeritus.

Being freed from the heavy responsibilities of a large pastorate, Dr. Campbell will be able to render an even wider service in denominational work, in evangelistic meetings, supply works and by writing. Being widely known among Southern Baptists, it is expected that he will be called upon for these services both to the denomination and to the churches in the years ahead.

Dr. Campbell has published a dozen books which have reached a total of more than 50,000 copies. These books are widely read, some of them having been translated into more than one foreign language. He has also published a booklet, God's Financial Plan, which has had the phenomenal circulation of 290,000. Other books will be coming from the pen of Dr. Campbell in the future.

During Dr. Campbell's pastorate of almost three years there have been a total of 856 additions, 413 of them being by baptism and Cooperative Program gifts have increased from \$15,000 to \$30,000.

BAY SPRINGS CHURCH HAS STEWARDSHIP REVIVAL "Forbidden Fruit" Emphasized Tithing Plan



Shown above is a scene from the playlet "Forbidden Fruit" as produced at Bay Springs. In the Garden of Eden Satan (J. J. Denson) is shown tempting Eve (Mrs. R. C. Alexander) to partake of the forbidden fruit.

Clear Branch Holds Week-End Youth Revival

The Clear Branch church of Rankin county held a week-end youth revival under the direction of the county missionary, Louis Ward Stanger, September 16-18.

An interesting Bible quiz featured the Sunday afternoon service. Mr. Stanger's messages dealt with "Jesus and Youth" and were based on incidents from the gospel of Mark.

Rev. P. J. Mixon of Madden is the pastor.

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STATEMENT ON C.R.O.P.

Insofar as facilities are available for receiving and processing farm products, the Relief Committee of the Foreign Mission Board accepts responsibility for the distribution of CROP contributions through its own channels in cooperation with the Baptist World Alliance Relief Committee. In addition, the Committee will suggest Baptist consignees to CROP for additional goods that may be contributed by Baptist groups. Beyond that point, it will be necessary for the states cooperating with CROP to make use of CROP's distributing and processing agencies for general relief.

This committee cannot assume responsibility for consigning all contributions through CROP to Baptist consignees for two reasons:

(1) Due to a drastic decrease in relief receipts.

(2) Because facilities are not available to care for the amount of material that is in prospect.

—Relief Committee of the Foreign Mission Board.

New Orleans Relief Center

To Close December 15, 1949

The Southern Baptist Relief Center, 601 South Olympia Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, will be closed December 15, 1949, according to the Relief Committee of the Foreign Mission Board. Last minute shipments of relief goods should reach the Center before Thanksgiving, thus allowing ample time for processing and shipping.

The Relief Committee, in planning to close the Relief Center, was influenced by a sharp decline in receipts for relief purposes.

Bay Springs Church held a Stewardship Revival September 4-11 with Dr. B. C. Land leading. Using Mal. 1:10, Dr. Land repeatedly emphasized that the tenth must ALL be brought into ONE treasury and distributed according to the plan of the WHOLE church.

His playlet, "Forbidden Fruit," was presented by the following cast: Rev. W. A. Hogan, as God; R. C. Alexander, as Adam; Mrs. R. C. Alexander, Eve; J. J. Denson, Satan; Misses Lynn Greene and Jane Alexander, as angels; Mrs. W. A. Hogan and Mrs. Joe Sid Ford as readers. The set included the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, the Tree of Life, and the Tree of Death. At the climax of the playlet, God's words to the serpent were repeated: "He shall bruise your head, but you shall bruise His Heel," and a lighted croseer flashed on, portraying God's redemption of man even at the instance of his fall.

On Demonstration Day, two goals were set: 269 in Sunday School and \$666.66 in tithes and offerings. The attendance was 203 and the offering was \$615.61.

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Pearl City Church Plans All Night Revival

Pearl City Church, Jackson, plans an all night revival on the last night in September.

Eight of the leading preachers of this area will preach, and a number of songs and prayers will fill in with services beginning at eight o'clock and each hour thereafter and running until 5 a. m.

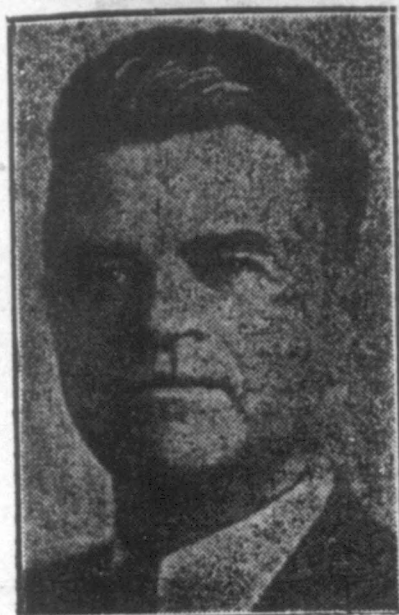
Rev. Henry Bucklew, pastor, states, "if our people can go out and dance all night, gamble, fox hunt, fish and travel all night then certainly God's people can use the entire night to conduct real spiritual services."

Some of the speakers that have been scheduled are: Rev. Wayne Al-liston, Dr. W. L. Holcomb, Dr. J. L. Boyd, and Rev. Herman Milner.

Everyone within reach of Pearl City is invited to come and take part in this great event. All of those present will be served with coffee and doughnuts by the deacons and their wives.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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D. M. NELSON

President D. M. Nelson, left, of Mississippi College where the State BSU Convention is to be held Oct. 28-30, is to speak Friday night of the Convention, and Prof. E. N. Elsey, right, head of Mississippi College's Music Department, will direct the College Choral Choir also Friday night.

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"My heart is with our young people more than ever before. Here is the hope of our future, not only in America, but everywhere," writes Dr. Charles Treadway, Cleveland pastor, upon his return from the Stockholm Congress . . .



E. N. ELSEY

"Southern opened with a bang. Did you hear it? 2400 plus students and half of them will be Baptists. Everything is looking up for our biggest year," writes Riley Munday, Student Sec'y. at Mississippi Southern . . . "The revivals that I have been in this summer have meant more to me than I can express. I grew in my spiritual life. Also I learned the power of prayer. I met pastors who were all out for youth," writes Jeanette Bilbo, of Woman's College . . . Sunday, Sept. 4, the Decatur Church used over half of their bulletin in urging students to Join-the-Church

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FACTS OF INTEREST

Margaret Mitchell, whose novel, "Gone With the Wind," sold 8,000,000 copies in 30 languages was killed by a drunken driver in Atlanta. The drunken driver had a record of 22 previous traffic violations.

Hearings on the Langer bill (S. 1847) to ban all liquor advertising will be held January 12-13, 1950. Rep. Fred Crawford has introduced a bill which would bar radio advertising of distilled spirits, wine or malt beverages.

During the first seven months of 1949, the nation's breweries produced 54,717,104 barrels a 4 per cent increase over 1948.

—The Survey Bulletin.

A few weeks ago I was speaking in a beer campaign, and on Sunday evening some young men who were drinking beer ran over a man who was coming to the church for the service. He was evidently killed instantly, but they ran away from the accident and wrecked their car in front of the church while I was speaking. One man is dead and another faces manslaughter charges as a result of beer drinking, and yet many people who call themselves Christians in that county voted for the legal sale of this bloody monster—beer. No true Christian will vote for the legal sale of this public enemy number one.

Evangeline Booth was right when she said, "Drink has drained more blood, hung more crepe, sold more homes, plunged more people into

bankruptcy, armed more villains, slain more children, snapped more wedding rings, defiled more innocents, blinded more eyes, twisted more limbs, dethroned more reason, wrecked more manhood, dishonored more womanhood, broken more hearts, blasted more lives, driven more to suicide, and dug more graves than any other poisoned scourge that ever swept its death-dealing waves across the world."

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

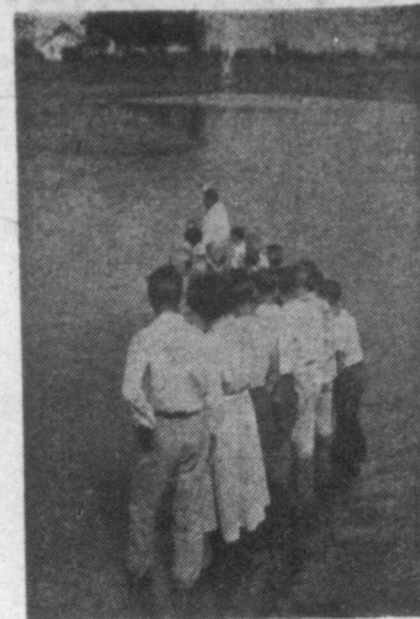
- October 3—Choctaw Associational meetings; Mrs. A. L. Brantley, Newton W. M. U. Associational Young People's leader.
- October 4—Clay, Tishomingo, Prentiss and Lawrence Associational meetings; Rev. W. B. May, Benton County Convention Board member.
- October 5—Holmes and Neshoba Associational meetings; W. H. Counts, Holmes Associational Sunday School Superintendent.
- October 6—Winston, Oktibbeha, Itawamba, Tate, Sunflower, Leflore, Mississippi, George and Perry Associational meetings.
- October 7—Tallahatchie, Pearl River, Clarke, Kemper and Leake Associational meetings; Miss Mildred Sepp, Office Secretary, Baptist Convention Board.
- October 8—Mrs. A. K. McMillan, George Associational W. M. U. Superintendent; Mrs. Howard Hollis, Blue Mountain College faculty.
- October 9—Rev. James B. Middleton, Calhoun County Convention Board member.

SANDERSVILLE BAPTIZES 23 FOLLOWING REVIVAL



Shown above is Rev. W. H. Merritt, pastor of the Sandersville Church as he instructs baptismal candidates at the water's edge. The 23 candidates are also pictured who came during the August revival. There were 29 additions during the meeting.

Mr. Merritt, president of the Clarke College Ministerial Association, became pastor of Sandersville (Jones County) and Pine Grove (Jasper County) in June. Sandersville has approximately 300 members.



Dr. Lowe Announces Baptist Hour Choir

John D. Hoffman, Atlanta voice teacher, will direct the Baptist Hour Choir, which will be heard on the Year-Round Baptist Hour, beginning October 2, over 132 ABC radio stations. Dr. S. F. Lowe, director of the Baptist Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention has announced.

The choir is composed of 18 voices, and each one is a qualified soloist. Solos will be a featured part of the religious music, in addition to group renditions.

Frank Willingham, well-known Atlanta musician, will be the organist for the network program, which will bring the Word of God to an estimated 6,000,000 people from coast to coast.

Mr. Hoffman was connected with musical direction for the Evangelistic Department of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. He taught voice at the University of Georgia for six years. Mr. Hoffman is director of the Atlanta Civic Opera Company.

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CARTERVILLE HAS STUDY COURSE—PREPARES FOR SIMULTANEOUS REVIVAL

The Carterville Church has just completed a week's study in preparation for the simultaneous revival meetings to be held in the Lebanon Association October 30-November 13. Special emphasis was on soul-winning. The course was sponsored by the Sunday School, J. W. Thompson, superintendent.

Rev. Martin V. McKinster, Macedonia pastor, taught the adults and young people; Miss Gladys Bryant taught the Intermediates; Rev. W. L. Yeatman, Carterville pastor, taught the Juniors; Mrs. W. G. Barlow directed a Bible story period for the primaries, and Mrs. S. Harper kept the nursery.

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IN CASE YOU ARE INTERESTED, it is reported that the North Pole is moving south at the rate of 6 inches a year, the city of London is sinking at the rate of .024 inch per year, and the Grand Canyon is deepening at the rate of 1 inch per year.

40 & 25 YEARS AGO

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.
 40 YEARS AGO

The Big Level Church "was greatly revived" in a five-day meeting during which Rev. R. J. O'Brian assisted Pastor H. C. Taylor. Three were added to the membership.

Bethel and Berwick Churches, Amite Co., were refreshed spiritually from a meeting of days in each during which Pastor J. J. Walker had to his assistance Rev. W. E. Hathorn of Hermanville. Two came for baptism and nine by letter at Bethel.

The Church at Utica closed "a very fine meeting" in which Pastor R. A. Cochran was assisted by Rev. R. W. Merrill of the Valance Street Church, New Orleans. Twenty-one came for baptism and four by letter.

The Kossuth Church, Rev. G. W. Mahaffey pastor, closed a ten-day meeting with Rev. R. A. Kimbrough of Tupelo doing the preaching. Eleven joined for baptism and 11 by letter.

Rev. E. D. Solomon, Mississippian, reports from Kaufman, Texas, a great meeting during which he was assisted by Dr. Geo. W. McDaniel of Dallas, with 54 additions, 49 for baptism.

The Waynesboro saints "were strengthened in the faith and were closer united in brotherly love" by a revival meeting in which Rev. J. J. Mathis preached. Also 16 joined for baptism and four by letter. Brother Tucker is the new pastor, W. B. Falconer reporting.

The Mt. Zion Church, Coldwater Association, had ten additions by baptism and three by letter in which Pastor R. L. Bunyard was assisted by Brother Bacon.

25 YEARS AGO

The Oak Grove Church, Jeff Davis Co., received four for baptism in which Pastor C. W. Black had as help Rev. J. C. Richardson. The latter also assisted Pastor Mack Hughes in the Branch Baptist Church, Scott Co., with sixteen additions.

The annual meeting in the Pleasant Hill Church, Greene Co., resulted in 20 additions, 19 for baptism. Pastor A. R. Lofton was assisted by Rev. A. L. O'Brian.

Scooba Church had as "visible results" six for baptism and the church "revived and inspired with a new vision" from their annual revival meeting when Pastor A. C. Furr was assisted by Rev. J. I. Oxford, Atlanta, Ga., as preacher and Rev. A. J. Darling of Fulton leading the song services.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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God's Hurry

The title is "catchy" and the gripping, this new book on stewardship by Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. A letter has just gone out from our office to every Training Union Director urging them to organize a class, making it an "All Church Membership Study Course" using this book as the text. The Sunday School Board will give either Training Union or Sunday School credit for it. October is the first month in the new church year, so why not have this study course as a launching of the new year. "Selfishness and self-interest sound alike, but they are not the same. The highest self-interest will keep a man from selfishness" is but one of the hundreds of thought provoking statements. These books are 50c at the Baptist Book Store, Jackson. Hurry and get a supply of God's Hurry, organize a class and bring a blessing to your church.

Leesburg Scores A Training Union Victory

Rev. J. Harold Jones, pastor of the Leesburg church, Scott Co. rejoices in the fine progress the entire church is making, and the Training Union is leading in the increased interest. Recently the church built an educational plant thus making room for expansion. Already they find they did not enlarge enough. The Training Union in July had an increase in attendance over July of 1948 of 110 per cent going from 61 to 128, and in August 1949 it was 166, an increase of 163 per cent. Plans are in progress to number of unit organizations in every department. Congratulations are certainly in order and we rejoice with pastor and people.

Center Grove Lauderdale Girds for Progressive Program

The Center Grove Church in Lauderdale Co. has re-organized its work with the idea of emphasizing a more efficient program. This union has done splendid work, but is not satisfied, so a new emphasis is being given the work. With the new year comes to the position of leadership-Director, Mrs. W. M. Rainier; Asso. Director, E. J. Chatam; Adult leader, Mr. Jamie Hagwood; Young People's Counselor, Mr. Grady Butler; Int. Leader, Mrs. Willie Rhaly; Junior Leader, Mrs. Thelma Chatam; Story Hour Leader, Mrs. Roberta Hagwood. They are ready for the "take off" and we shall expect the landing to be a Standard Training Union!

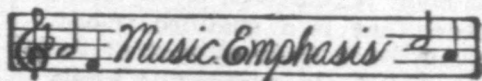
How is 2,818 for an August report on study course awards? Well, that is our record in Mississippi for August. In August 1948 the number was 1,581, an increase of 1,237, an increase of 78 per cent. The number issued in August 1947 was 1,323, an increase this year over year before last of 113 per cent. New unions organized, 22-Story Hour 4; Junior 4; Intermediate 5; Young People's 4; Adult 5.

Two of our associations are in the 100 per cent group—Walthall and George have training union work in every church in the association. Several others are right on the border line with only one or two churches that do not have a union. We are

not bragging but no other state in the union has more than two associations with training union work in every church in the association. California has two; Louisiana has two; New Mexico, two; Oklahoma has two; and Texas has two. Why should we not step into FIRST place before the year is out? I believe we can! Come on Yazoo, Tishomingo, Sunflower, Prentiss, Noxubee, Jackson. Each of you organized a new union in the second quarter and moved up into a higher bracket. Come on up to the 100 per cent bracket!

We Hope You Will Attend!

Two great stewardship conferences are planned for Mississippi-Harrisburg, Tupelo, Monday, October 24. New Hope church, Covington Co. Tuesday, October 25. A great array of consecrated talent will discuss vital matters, matters that make for happiness and spiritual, to say nothing of material, prosperity. Dr. Wallace Bassett, pastor of one of the world's greatest churches, Cliff Temple, Dallas, Texas, and some from among the choice leaders in our own state will be on the program. Training Union leaders should do everything possible to attend one of these meetings and to influence as many of the members as possible to go. Christian people want to know the Lord's will for them! Through meetings like these He often speaks to our hearts and reveals to use His will.



Very Interesting News From George County

During the week of September 4 through 11, George County engaged in a simultaneous music campaign. A music school was held in each church. Teachers leading were as follows: Rev. J. C. Pinson, Rocky Creek; Rev. S. J. Rhodes, Barton; Rev. R. J. Sweetman, Shady Grove; Mr. C. R. Haire, Agricola; W. C. Morgan, Lucedale.

Each of the churches reported a very fine week in music. The schools included a course in rudiments of music, special choir drills, men's quartets, ensemble drills, and plenty of good singing.

During the week several ensembles were organized, and one men's quartet was organized. Both congregational singing and special music were emphasized.

On Sunday afternoon, September 11, a county-wide music festival was held in the Lucedale Baptist Church. More than three hundred were in attendance. Each church choir rendered some special music, and each leader had a chance to lead some congregational singing. During the session the George County Baptist Music Association was organized. Rev. O. B. Robertson of Agricola was elected to serve as the first president of the George County Music Association. The constitution recommended by the State Music Section of Training was adopted as a guide for the music association, and a copy has already reached the State Baptist Headquarters.

The association will meet monthly on Sunday afternoon, and this will be a hymn festival. "Let All The People Sing." Brother Robertson will lead

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary — EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

Calendar of Activities For 1950

In view of the fact that many of the churches are setting up their calendars of activities for 1950, we are listing below the dates for the various activities in Brotherhood work for 1950. Some are probable dates, but they will serve as a guide.

March—First Quarter's Associational Rallies.

June—Second Quarter's Associational Rallies.

September—Third Quarter's Associational Rallies.

November 15-December 15—Fourth Quarter's Associational Rallies.

October 30-November 10—District Brotherhood Conferences.

August 17-23—Brotherhood Week at Ridgecrest.

November 13 (probable)—State Brotherhood Convention. This date is not definite in view of the fact that the dates for the Mississippi Baptist Convention for 1950 have not been set. We will meet the date preceding the opening of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Associational Rallies Are Reaching Hundreds of Men

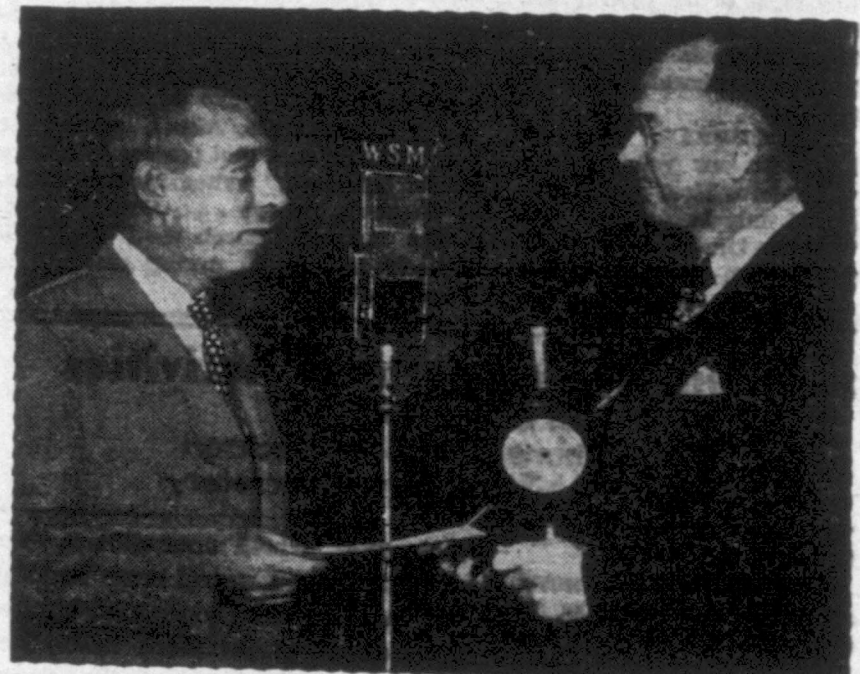
The Associational Brotherhood Rallies this quarter are reaching men by the hundreds. The most largely attended meetings, thus far, have been Hinds-Warren with 212 men present and Lauderdale with 185. Both of these Associations were a little bit low in attendance as compared with the June meetings, but a number of the other Associations have been up in attendance.

Associational Brotherhood Officers' Clinic Being Planned

The Brotherhood Secretary is planning to call a meeting of all newly elected (many reelected) Associational Brotherhood officers to meet in Jackson sometime in October. This should be the most worthwhile promotional meeting of the entire year, bringing together the Associational officers of the twenty-five regularly organized Associations and studying the best ways to promote the Lord's work through the Associational Organization.

Grand Ole Opry Announcer

Narrates Baptist Filmstrip



Louie Buck, WSM Grand Ole Opry announcer and narrator of the new Baptist filmstrip, "Southern Baptists, ADVANCE!" presents a check for \$25 for the Cooperative Program to Dr. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion for the Executive Committee. Mr. Buck told Dr. Moore that "working on this film has convinced me of the greatness of your program."

COUNTY LINE GOES FULL-TIME ON OCTOBER 1

County Line Church in Jones County will begin a full-time program on October 1. The church is preparing a \$4,500 home for the pastor, Rev. J. W. Dubose.

Rev. Troy Sumrall, of Immanuel Church, Hattiesburg, did the preaching in the summer revival in which 21 members were added to the church and three men surrendered to preach the gospel; they were: Kenneth West, Billie Johnson, and Joeburle Walley.

ROBERT E. KINTNER, EXECUTIVE vice-president of the American Broadcasting Company, has announced that the company has decided not to accept liquor advertising. "Various important organizations and significant segments of public opinion throughout the country have evidenced their strong disapproval of such sponsored programs," he said.

the George County music program into a great program of music for the promotion of Christ and His Kingdom in that area of the State.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—A regular Saturday night Grand Ole Opry announcer is the narrator of the new filmstrip, "Southern Baptists, ADVANCE!" He is Louie Buck of WSM who became so convinced of the greatness of Southern Baptist work that he contributed \$25 to the cause. He said, "Working on this film has sold me on the importance of your great program. I want to make a personal contribution to it."

Buck, son, grandson, and great-grandson of ministers, is a graduate of the University of Alabama. While working on the film he told Dr. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion for the Executive Committee, "I worked for a long time to get through the university and ever since I have been working in the Grand Ole Opry to convince people that I never saw a university. Most people don't believe I ever graduated from a university."

The film, portraying the importance of the Cooperative Program, is now available from the Executive Committee, 127 Ninth Avenue, No. Nashville 3, Tenn. Price, \$4.95 plus shipping for record, manual, and film; \$1.95 without record.

Mississippi College Paragraphs

By D. M. NELSON, President

The Men's Bible Class, Clinton Baptist Church has voted unanimously to make up one of the \$1000 Endowment Units. It will be listed on the books of the College in the name of this class. The present members are: J. R. Hitt, S. T. Delashment, A. K. Godbold, Newton James, T. F. Spencer, M. J. Landrum, Sid Sandidge, J. W. Provine, D. M. Nelson, C. T. Davis, W. W. Reeves, D. Q. Byrd, J. A. Burris, J. L. Boyd, J. V. Carr, Hendon M. Harris, G. M. Duncan, J. M. Lassetter, W. S. Croft, A. H. Parkman, Cecil Harris, E. E. Albritton. The class has led in every movement for the enlargement and improvement of Mississippi College. This latest investment will keep permanently its name associated with the operation of the College and continue to do good forever. There may be many other such classes that will want to do likewise.

Dr. R. B. Gunter who has played such a large part in the life of our denomination and contributed so richly to every Kingdom interest has begun payment on one of these Personalized Endowment Units. In the beginning of the Enlargement Campaign he gave richly of his time, his influence, his talents, and his money toward making it a success. As might be expected he now is joining those who would continue to enlarge the usefulness of our college.

Dr. H. E. Spell, the dean of the College and the senior member in service of our Bible department and one of our really great teachers, has also begun payment on one of these Endowment Units. He is thus investing his money as well as his splendid talents to perpetually serve Mississippi College.

With Mississippi which furnishes 90 percent of the enrollment 20 other states are represented in our student body. These states are Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington, D. C. With the Caucasian race which of course largely predominate, the following races are represented in the present student body: Argentinian, Chinese, Choctaw Indian, Canadian, Hawaiian, Japanese, Puerto Rican.

D. L. Collums of the Class of 1928 has invested in one of the Personalized General Endowment Units. Mr. Collums lives at Tupelo and is district representative of the Standard Oil Company. While he is quite busy with personal matters he is not too busy to speak a good word or do a good deed for the College that did so much for him.

A group of alumni of Mississippi College had a dinner meeting at the Tupelo Hotel Friday evening September 22. The following were present: Superintendent Webb Allen, J. E. Buchanan, Sam Bramlett, Jimmie Carpenter, Dr. and Mrs. Lenwick Cheppelle, H. C. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Collums, Prof. Malcolm Gillis, Rev. Geo. Gay, L. E. Johnson, Chas. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Littlejohn, W. T. Lowrey, Jr., P. I. Lipsey, Jr.,

Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Nelson Betty Renshaw, John Pegues, Rev. R. B. Batterson Rev. C. J. Smiley, Trenton Shelton, Rev. H. H. Ward, H. E. Worley. The meeting was one of fine fellowship. Many helpful messages were brought. The past, present and future of our College received attention by the various speakers. It was voted unanimously to have another such meeting with representatives from the northeast Mississippi counties. Such meetings furnish an opportunity for old friends to meet and fellowship together again and renew their interest and affection in their College.

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Tribute, Symbol, Prophecy

(Editor's Note: We give below the address delivered by Rev. Lowrey Compere at dedication of the new building and formal opening of forty-second annual session, Clarke Memorial College, Newton.)

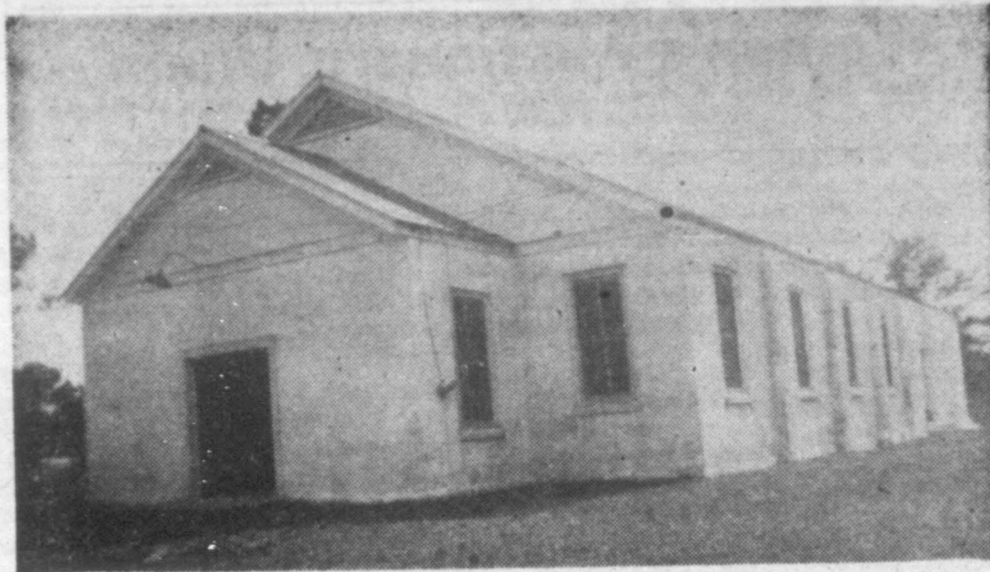
Today is a day of tremendous significance in the life of a great institution and in the life of a great denomination.

The erection of the Dining Hall-Activities Building is not necessarily the most important accomplishment in the recovery of this school from the years of severe trial and hardship. Every victory has been important—even those earlier victories which were not recognized because they came at a time of apparent defeat. The leading of God by which the school was kept open when by all the known rules it was supposed to close its doors and die, the sacrificial devotion of the men who leased the property and kept unbroken a remarkable record of Christian service, the rapid climb back into the full confidence of our Baptist hosts—all of these were exceedingly important. The building of new homes for students and faculty members, the erection of temporary space for classrooms and offices, the remodeling of buildings, the acquiring of equipment—these were important achievements, and who can say this is any more important? In fact, without such a background of triumph to inspire the confidence of Mississippi Baptists this building would never have become a reality.

But this is the first of the new main buildings in the Program of Strengthening and Improvement. Of all the achievements, this gives the strongest and clearest testimony to the permanence of this institution and to the ultimate fulfillment of our hopes and dreams of more adequate facilities for the Clarke of tomorrow.

The new Dining Hall-Activities Building is a tribute to the Clarke of yesterday, a symbol of the Clarke of today, and a prophecy of the Clarke of tomorrow. It brings to us in imagination three great groups of people: Those who are with us no longer but who in their days of opportunity made investments here; those whose response to the appeal provided the money for this building; and those who in the future will be touched and blessed by what is built here in our day.

As a tribute to the Clarke of yesterday this new building reminds us of those who have gone on before us whose vision, faith, and sacrifice, built



Shown above is First Church, Gautier, which was dedicated on September 18. Rev. J. L. Reeves is the pastor.

Gautier Church Dedicated

Dedication services for the First Church, Gautier, were held on Sunday afternoon, September 18. The program was in charge of the pastor, Rev. Lester Reeves. Mr. Reeves is the only pastor of the church. The church was organized seven years ago. Those having parts on the dedication program were: Rev. J. E. Brock, pastor of First Church, Moss Point; Dr. W. L. Holcomb, Secretary of Temperance Activities for Mississippi Baptists; Rev. Zeno Wells, pastor of East Moss Point Church and Editor A. L. Goodrich of the Baptist Record.

The church was organized seven years ago with 32 charter members. Twenty-three of these are still on the church role. The membership is now 115. The Sunday School is being led by O. P. Loper, Sr.; the Training Union by K. M. Holloway. The church was organized in the school house but later on the trustees denied the church the use of the school house and a temporary brush arbor was erected. They then erected the modern church building which was dedicated on September 18.

In addition to the spacious auditorium there are class rooms to take care of seven classes. The building is on a lot 250'x600'. Wallace Quinn, a Methodist, was so anxious for a church in that community that he gave all of the concrete blocks and one car load of gravel in order to assist the new church in building a church home.

the institution of which this building is a part. That which was said of Abel may be said of them that by their faith they being dead yet speak in the ministry of this school. We would express our profoundest gratitude for their worthy achievements and for the solid foundation they laid on which we build today. We would also pledge ourselves anew that to the limit of our ability we shall keep this institution true to the high ideals and principles of its tradition and to the lofty purposes for which it was established.

This new building across the way is also a symbol of the Clarke College of today. Its very character as a building is symbolic. It is beautiful without being ornate or showy. Its elegant simplicity befits a school which majors on the things that are of greatest value. Its rugged strength and permanence bespeak the fact that Clarke is here to stay. The erection of a solid building of this size at such low cost is typical of the generous yet wasteless economy that prevails here. Where else in recent years have we seen so much good space provided

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

September 25, 1949		
Jackson, Parkway	1003	274
Parkway Chapel	101	59
Jackson, Southside	203	---
Jackson, Elrairie	128	118
Jackson, First	1367	477
Jackson, Van Winkle	381	220
Jackson, Calvary	1342	301
Calvary Mission	19	25
Jackson, Northside	613	207
Jackson, East Side	114	90
New Albany	739	154
Zion Hill (Copolah County)	76	105
Jackson, Emmanuel	97	44
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	86	68
Pleasant Creek (Simpson County)	119	119
Center (Union County)	86	138
Brookhaven, First	828	173
Brookhaven, Hamilton Street	111	69
Jackson, Central Chapel	133	70
Glenfield (Union County)	49	43
Houlka (Chickasaw County)	107	44
Mt. Zion (Lincoln County)	116	58
Holly Springs (Lincoln County)	48	---
Crystal Springs	705	229
County Line (Copolah County)	144	77
Union, Pike County	64	53
Magee	412	115
Hebron (Jones County)	90	93
Greenville, Second	257	157
Greenville, First	740	225
Delay	61	57
Union (Pearl River County)	209	195
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	532	118
Union (Alcorn County)	55	64
Ruth	83	126
Evergreen (Winston County)	90	70
Pittsboro	102	54
Big Creek	62	52
East Moss Point	196	88
Lucedale	419	201
Pascagoula, First	604	244
Eastlawn Mission	48	29
Chapel No. 2	33	---
Laurel, Second Avenue	502	167
Friendship (Pike County)	176	95
Laurel, First	446	137
Chalybeate	56	36
Newton	424	202
East McComb	476	237
Bruce	242	92
Kosciusko, First	637	208
Brooklyn	82	42
Gulfport	664	145
Clara	78	51
Bethlehem (Jones County)	160	104
Darling	75	42
Friendship (Lincoln County)	110	89
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	86	104
Centreville	160	61
West Corinth	190	89
East Fork (Amite County)	93	63
September 18, 1949		
County Line (Copolah County)	147	99
East McComb	485	248
Paul Truitt Memorial	---	---
Rankin County	124	90
Columbus, First	1078	268
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	496	102
Wallerville	129	52

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y.—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

OFFICERS CLINIC

Camp Garaywa

Oct. 11-12

(You have accepted responsibility for one of the following offices and that means you are needed and urged to attend the Clinic. If it is impossible for you to attend the Clinic, have an appointed substitute.)

OFFICERS WHO SHOULD ATTEND

ASSOCIATION:

Superintendent
Young People's Leader
Secretary-Treasurer
Community Missions Chairman
Mission Study Chairman
Stewardship Chairman

DISTRICT:

Chairman
Young People's Counselor
Secretary-Treasurer
Community Missions Chairman
Mission Study Chairman
Stewardship Chairman

STATE:

Margaret Fund Chairman
Training School Chairman
Executive Secretary-Treasurer
Young People's Secretary

Office Secretaries

BRING: Sheets, pillow case, towels, flash-light, notebooks, pencils, W. M. U. Manual, Year Book, Officers Guide.

COST: \$2.75 each for the entire period. The Association and District should arrange to pay the expenses of each officer.

PROGRAM: Discussion of plans for the NEW YEAR. This is the most important meeting of the year for this year of Officers.

Opening session—Tuesday 10 a. m.

Closing after lunch Wednesday.

Conferences all together.

Conferences for each group of officers.

Conferences by districts.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Speakers: Miss Lillie Mae Hundley, China; Miss Margaret Bruce, Southwide Young People's Secretary.

District 1, Oct. 25, Jackson, First Baptist Church.

*District 2, Nov. 4, Cleveland.

District 3, Nov. 3, Water Valley.

District 4, Nov. 2, Baldwin.

District 5, Nov. 1, Columbus, First Baptist Church.

District 6, Oct. 26, Newton, Clarke College.

District 7, Oct. 27, Hattiesburg, Main Street.

*District 8, Oct. 28, Mars Hill. (To reach Mars Hill: Leave Highway 51 just north of McComb, at Welch's store—turn west, go 10 miles to cross roads, turn right). Bring sandwiches and hostess church will furnish drinks.

*These places—the entire lunch will be furnished.

Miss Bruce Returning September 6

Miss Margaret Bruce, Southwide Young People's Secretary is to be one of the speakers and conference leaders for the District W. M. U. meetings to be held Oct. 25-Nov. 4. Miss Bruce has just returned from Europe, where she attended the Baptist World Youth Congress to which she went as guest of the Woman's Missionary Union.

Miss Bruce spoke to the Congress on our denomination's plans for training young people.

At the meeting in Stockholm, 1300 delegates were registered from twenty-five different countries. It was inspiring to hear the stories of valiant Christians witnessing in the midst of persecution and obstacles. On one evening the delegates were invited into the homes of Swedish Baptists. One evening they were given a demonstration of Swedish Baptist youth work among Juniors and Intermediates.

After traveling briefly on the continent, she sailed on August 22 for New York.

FOREIGN MISSION SERIES

So many questions have already been asked concerning the Foreign Mission books for study this fall (in preparation for Foreign Mission Week of Prayer) that we give the list:

Women	Japan's New Day—Dozier	price 60c
Y. W. A.'s	Ring in the New—Endo	price 40c
Intermediates	Jottings from Japan—Mills	price 40c
Juniors	My Daddy Told Me—Dozier	price 40c
Sunbeams	Chie-Ko-Chan—Dozier (This is LOVE—LY for the children, written for them!)	price 50c

Teaching helps for the above list order free from Foreign Mission Board, Box 5148, Richmond, Va.)

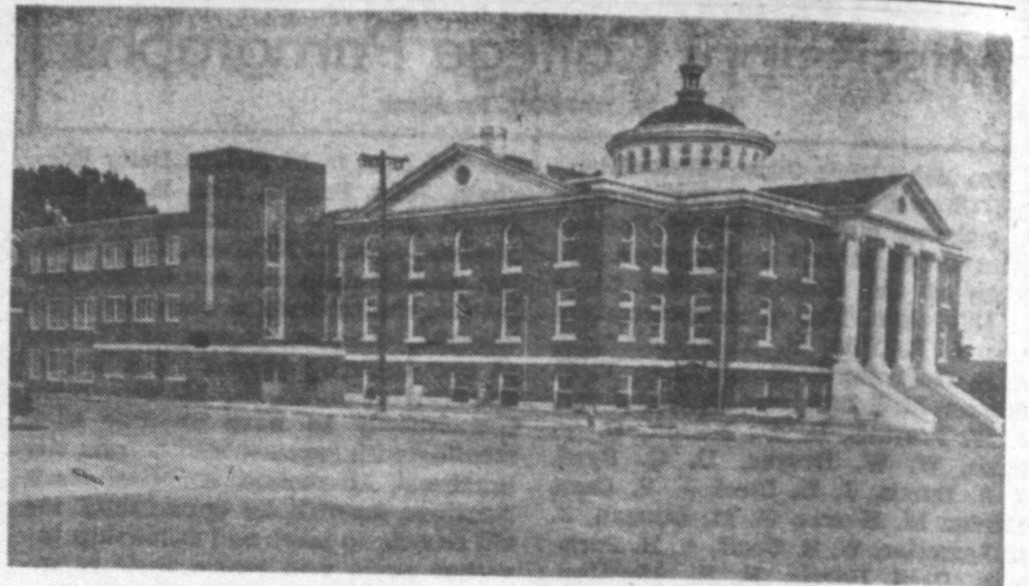
1. Splendid Leader's helps for each book (be sure and give the name of the book you are to teach).

2. Japanese envelope of helps—includes maps, leaflets, etc.

THE FIRST WORKSHOP OF THE

American Association of University Women ever held in Mississippi was held at Mississippi College Saturday, Sept. 17, in an all-day session and plans were made for the organization of a local chapter. Mississippi College was recently approved by the national organization, and all women graduates of

Mississippi College with either B. A. or B. S. degrees are now eligible for membership. Only four colleges in Mississippi have been approved by this organization. Before a college can qualify for approval, it must be on the approved list of the Association of American Universities and meet other rigid requirements.



Organize W. M. U. At Shady Grove

HAZLEHURST — (Special) — The Shady Grove church in Copiah County, east of Hazlehurst, has organized a W. M. U. which will become an active unit of the Copiah county W. M. U.

Officers announced for the coming year are: president, Mrs. Ira Crews; vice-president, Mrs. Audrey Peritt; second vice-president, Mrs. Sam Warren; young people's leader, Mrs. Clarence King; secretary, Mrs. Howard Lott; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Albert Guynes; treasurer, Mrs. Thomas Ames; Community Missions, chairman, Mrs. Edward Worrell, and Mission Study chairman, Mrs. W. C. McManus.

The membership numbers thirty-one and others are expected to join later.

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REV. A. C. PARKER

Whereas, on August 23, 1949 God in His infinite wisdom saw fit to call home our beloved pastor, Rev. A. C. Parker; and

Whereas, Rev. A. C. Parker was a most faithful and loyal servant of God; and

Whereas for the past thirty years he labored untiringly and gave of himself unselfishly to the cause of Christ; and Whereas he was loved and respected by men of all walks of life and that his friendliness and interest in the young people led many to accept Christ as their saviour and a number of young Christians dedicated their lives to full time Christian service under his leadership.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

First, that we express our thanks to God for the spirit he manifested in the uplifting of the cause of Christ.

Second, that we keep and cherish the memory of his fellowship, friendship and consecrated life, and that we pledge ourselves to carry on in a united effort, building on the foundation he had laid.

Third, that we extend to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy, friendship and constant prayers; and

Be it Further Resolved that a copy of this resolutions be sent to the family, a copy spread upon the minutes of the Petal First Baptist Church, and a copy be sent to the Baptist Record for Publication

Resolutions Committee:

MRS. E. V. FORD
MRS. L. B. RUNNELS
MRS. O. U. BARLOW
MISS ROSIE MAE SMITH

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THERE HAVE BEEN NEARLY 3,000 new churches organized in the Southern Baptist Convention since 1940, with more than 1100 of them in the open country.

FIRST CHURCH, GULFPORT TO DEDICATE BUILDING ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

First Baptist Church, Gulfport, will have the formal opening of its new \$75,000 Educational Building on Sunday, October 2. A special service will be held in the afternoon for the dedication of the new building. This will be followed by an open-house period.

Speakers for the day are Dr. T. L. Holcomb, of Nashville, Tenn., Executive Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, and Dr. J. D. Gray, pastor of First Baptist Church, New Orleans. Dr. Holcomb will speak at the morning and evening services, and Dr. Gray in the afternoon.

Goals for the day include 1000 in Sunday School, 250 in Training Union and overflow crowds at the other services. It is hoped that the final amount of money needed to dedicate the building debt-free, can be raised. This is now less than \$10,000.

Dr. Joe T. Odle, pastor, says "We expect this to be one of the greatest days in the history of our church, and we extend a cordial invitation to all friends and former members of our church to be with us."

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"Historically Speaking"

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

The Calhoun County Association is strictly up-to-date in regard to matters historical. They have elected Rev. Leslie E. Roane as their historian. Mr. Roane is very "historically minded" and is to write the history of all the churches in the bounds of the association over one hundred years old, and do many other things to keep their records intact to be preserved to future generations.

This Association is one of the few in the state that had kept their file of the association minutes complete here in the Historical Collection in Mississippi College library—only one copy is missing (1926) since the association was organized in 1875. (If any one has a copy of this minute, please send to me for the file.)

Let all the other associations in Mississippi follow the example of the Calhoun Baptist Association and elect some one who is historically minded as historian of the association, and PLEASE ASSIST ME IN KEEPING A COMPLETE FILE OF THE MINUTES, sending one or more copies each year as soon as printed, care of Mississippi Baptist Historical Society, Clinton, Miss.

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THE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION

U. S. A., Inc. has re-elected Dr. D. V. Jemison as president. The 1950 meeting will be in Philadelphia.

Religious Census In The Netherlands

With a gain of 2.08 per cent since 1930, the Catholic population of The Netherlands now totals 38.5 per cent of the total population. Memberships of Protestant churches, on the other hand, all suffered decreases. This was indicated by the 1947 census of which the figures on religion was made public last week.

The census also disclosed that the percentage of the population which does not belong to any church also has increased considerably, especially in the cities of Amsterdam and Rotterdam.

The decline in the percentage of the Jewish population is due to the German persecutions. In 1930, there were in The Netherlands 111,917 persons who identified themselves as Jews. In 1947 there were 14,369 Jews left.

Roman Catholics	36.42%	38.50%
Netherlands		
Reformed	34.50%	31.03%
Lutherans	0.99%	0.62%
Baptists	0.78%	0.70%
Calvinists	9.34%	9.73%
Jews	1.41%	0.44%
Not affiliated with Church	14.43%	17.04%

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Puckett Holds Study Course

Rev. L. W. Stanger, Rankin county associational missionary, conducted a week's Training Union study course with the Puckett church, September 5-9.

He was assisted by Rev. Chas. Phipps, Miss Louise Hill of the state office and the host pastor, Rev. Morrell Lee of D'Lo. Thirty one completed the course and will receive diplomas and seals.

A fellowship hour followed the closing study period and light refreshments were served. The church was greatly helped and the Training Union work strengthened.

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Churches Plan Drive To "Spiritualize" Christmas

NEW YORK—(RNS)—A drive aimed at "rescuing" Christmas "from an emphasis on turkey, tinsel and presents" and New Year's Eve "from headache-producing revelry" is planned by the Federal Council of Churches here.

The Council said that its 37 Protestant and Orthodox denominations would summon their 140,000 local churches to "spiritualize" the observance of the two holidays. This effort will be made in 1950 as the climax of a 15-months' evangelistic campaign, beginning this Oct. 2.

Dr. Jesse M. Bader, director of the Federal Council's evangelism department, said "the churches believe the time has come when we must save Christmas as the celebration of the birthday of Jesus Christ." He added that the churches would call Americans on New Year's Eve, 1950, to an all-night vigil of prayer as they say farewell to "a half century of material progress and spiritual bankruptcy."

Explaining that the vigil would last 12 hours, beginning at 6 p. m., Dr. Bader said it would emphasize "that New Year's Eve calls for more than a hilarious night-long and too often, interperate celebration. We hope that many more Americans will be in church than in the night-clubs as the new half-century dawns."

Society Hill Sponsors Negro VBS—Bible Class For Adults



Society Hill Church in Jeff Davis County, Rev. C. C. Dunkin, pastor, sponsored a Vacation Bible School at Palestine Church (Negro) with 124 pupils enrolled. Mrs. Fleet Parkman, superintendent, asked for Negro adults to assist the superintendents in each department and more than enough volunteered. It was necessary to organize a Bible Class for the adults, and 24 were enrolled.

A mission offering of \$5 was designated for the Negro Seminary Work at Prentiss.

Workers from Society Hill were Mrs. Parkman, Miss Virgie Upton, Mrs. Maudie Fortenberry, Miss Ona Upton, Mrs. Shelby Stevens, and Mrs. Claudie Tyrone.

Society Hill Church has voted to support a full-time church program. Plans are being made to enlarge the Sunday School and Training Union. Kenna Williamson is the Sunday School superintendent and Robert Lee Bourne is Training Union Director.

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SOLUTION IS PROPOSED TO FEDERAL AID DEADLOCK

NEW YORK—(RNS)—A solution to the current Congressional deadlock over Federal aid to education has been proposed by the Federal Council of Churches.

The Council's executive committee, meeting here, urged that measures designed to aid schools be kept separate from those to subsidize welfare services to children.

In a unanimously-adopted resolution the executive committee said that such a "clear distinction" would eliminate "sectarian controversy" and at the same time not compromise "the principle of separation of Church and State for which the Council always has stood."

The executive committee did not take a stand on the issue of Federal aid for welfare or auxiliary services to children. However, the committee called upon Congress to give "open-minded consideration" to the "need of all children of school age for certain welfare services."

"If Federal aid is made available for such services," the executive committee resolution added, "it should be administered or supervised by a public agency."

"The central principle of a national minimum of educational opportunity for all children in all the public schools of all the states is widely accepted," the resolution stated, "but the controversy over the secondary question of certain services, such as free transportation and health services, to children in non-public schools has impeded the enactment of any measure of Federal aid."

"The deadlock is sustained at the expense of the children in the schools and their teachers. This ought not to be tolerated."

Reiterating its former stand, the executive committee called for prompt passage of Federal grants to public schools, emphasizing that such grants should be made "without 'discrimination on account of race.'"

Miami Churches Oppose Gambling

MIAMI, Fla.—(RNS)—Miami religious groups are organizing opposition to any legalization of gambling in Florida for the purposes of raising state funds.

An interim committee, headed by Roy Perry, was named to represent the Greater Miami Council of Churches, Ministerial Association and Laymen's Committee of 1,000. The committee has drafted a letter which will be sent to all members of the legislature opposing the legalization of any additional forms of gambling on moral and economic grounds. A mass meeting of church people will be held at the Central Baptist church here Sept. 9, to take joint action against gambling.

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26 ADDED IN REVIVAL AT BAY SPRINGS MISSION

A revival was held the first week in August in the mission sponsored by Bay Springs Church. The Associational Missionary, Rev. W. H. Wood, did the preaching. There were 26 additions, 19 on profession of faith.

The mission is promoted through the efforts of the Bay Springs Church and the pastor, Rev. W. A. Hogan, and Rev. J. L. Hughes, retired minister.

The people living in the vicinity of the Mission have adopted resolutions of appreciation for the interest shown by the Bay Springs church. Among those especially commended are: Mrs. T. L. Massey, Rev. W. A. Hogan, Miss Mary Ruth Denson, Rev. W. H. Wood, and brother Hughes. The resolutions were prepared by Miss Eloise Walley.

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JAMES R. DINWIDDLE, JR., HAS been elected as a field worker in the Training Union Department of the Missouri Baptist General Association.

THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a list of 20 names from First Church, Natchez, to be added to their list of subscribers. And 21 of the 20 new subscriptions were to their college students!

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JOHN MARK (\$2) BY DR. PARK Harris Anderson, professor of missions, New Orleans Baptist Seminary, presents a new interpretation of the Paul-Mark difficulty, which the author hopes will be received in a kindly light and bring encouragement to others. For a period of years New Testament interpreters have justified Paul and condemned Mark. The author, sensing this injustice presents the full picture of John Mark and reveals an explanation in the light of the whole New Testament. Orders should be sent to the Christopher Publishing House, 1140 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass., or to the Baptist Book Store.

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TRIBUTE, SYMBOL, PROPHECY

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at so little cost? This is but another illustration of how much can be done here with so little money.

The source from which the money came is also significant. Not from a very few of large ability, but from the many of moderate means—even from the masses. While we rejoice at every instance of wealthy people giving large sums to any phase of the work of God we recognize that our Baptist strength still lies in the great masses of people who will answer God's challenge to stewardship. Perhaps more people had a definite part in this project than in any other such building in Mississippi in many years. This bespeaks the esteem in which Clarke is held in the hearts of Mississippi Baptists.

The use for which this building was erected is symbolic. The ground floor used for that very practical and necessary physical ministry—food; the upper floor a place where Christian principles are instilled and where vital Christian faith is developed. That is a symbol of this institution. Here Christian youth learn much that is exceedingly practical in fitting them for making their way in the world, at the same time preparing for service. Most of all they are led to take the course of the upper floor. This is a course not listed in the catalogue, but affecting everything in the catalogue; it is a course without a professor, but one taught by all the faculty. It is the course in Vital Christian Living in which students learn to take Christ seriously and to let His will be supreme in their lives.

There are those students who feel that God has called them into full-time Christian service as preachers, missionaries, Gospel musicians, educational directors, church secretaries, or some other full-time work. Some of them have decided before they come, while others make these decisions amid the spiritual environment of a Christian college campus. Many ministers who got their foundation work here are serving in large churches in towns and cities, and this school will prepare still more and more men to take their places in the strategic urban centers of large population. They will be prepared to serve as pastors of churches with large memberships and great opportunity. But here men learn that true success for the minister of Christ is not measured by the size, prestige, or wealth of his church, but by the degree to which he is following the will of God for his life.

We are witnessing in our day an increasing emphasis upon the importance of our rural areas. We recognize that as the soil is still the ultimate source of our sustenance and the prosperity of the farm the foundation of our economy even so the vast rural areas are still the source of our strength as a great denomination. William Jennings Bryan once said:

"Tear down your cities and leave our farms—
and your cities will spring up again
as if by magic,
but destroy our farms—and the grass
will grow on

the streets of every city in the land."

The mechanizing of the farm, the applying of scientific methods to its work, and the supplying of electric power and modern appliances to its homes have increased the comforts of country life and assisted in its accomplishments and may reverse our

shifting population and turn it back toward the rural areas.

The country church is emerging now as a greater power in our civilization. After years of lagging behind the progress of the age there is now an awakening in rural churches all over the land. No longer are they content with once or twice a month services and weak struggling organizations. Now they are manifesting new vision, new life, and new response to the challenge that faces them.

A part of Clarke's unique ministry is that of preparing a well-trained spiritual leadership of our rural areas, men who feel called to serve as pastors of rural churches and recognize this as one of God's great callings.

The new Agriculture Department will do its part in the training of this rural leadership well acquainted with the best in modern agricultural practice and able to encourage the development of all phases of rural community life. Clarke is truly pioneering in this field of service.

Another phase of Clarke's unique ministry is that of providing opportunity for an education to men who for various reasons are far behind in their preparation and yet cannot say to God's call to definite Christian service. Of course it is true that the great majority of Clarke's students are those who could go to any number of other schools and who come here wholly of their own choice. But it is also true that many of those whom God will use richly come here because there is no other school to which they could go. Men like that who got their chance here are serving now in large places all over the south—as pastors of strong churches in cities, towns and rural areas, teachers in Christian colleges, college presidents, and in many other fields.

This course of the upper floor affects also those students who have felt no call into full-time Christian service. They are reminded here that God wants them to be as fully yielded as if they did feel such a call. While they are preparing for secular occupations they are preparing to be Christian witnesses in these occupations. They will be merchants, contractors, bookkeepers, craftsmen, engineers, teachers, lawyers, doctors, business executives laboratory technicians, homemakers, secretaries, or workers in scores of other occupations. Truly this is one of the greatest needs of our day—well-trained, well-equipped young people entering all the professions, vocations, and fields of activity carrying with them a force that will elevate the moral standards of our society and add a true spiritual tone to our secular life.

The building we dedicate today is a prophecy of the Clarke of tomorrow. The Strengthening and Improvement Program has brought in only about one-third of the \$350,000 set as a goal. This new building represents approximately half of the money that has come in, the remainder of which was spent for essential remodeling of all the main buildings and for badly-needed equipment throughout all departments. Has the program failed? No indeed! If this were all it would accomplish, it would have been well worth all the efforts put forth. But this is not the end, for there are other buildings to come. The confidence of Mississippi Baptists which provided for this building will provide for others and just as God led to victory in this we believe He will lead us to other victories.

The Girls' Dormitory is such a great

need just now. How we wish we could break ground for it today and start the work tomorrow! It cannot be that soon, for by the Convention constitution no institution can begin construction on a building unit without the money in hand to complete it. But although this next building will not come tomorrow it will come. God will provide for this critical need in our work for Him.

So long as Baptists believe in a Book that tells of Amos called from his flocks of Tekoa to go and speak God's message to wandering Israel, a Book that tells of John the Baptist in the wilderness proclaiming the coming Messiah; so long as Baptists follow a Christ who called men to serve Him irrespective of background, culture, or previous training; so long as Baptists believe in ministering to all people everywhere—the poor as well as the rich, the ignorant as well as the educated, the commoner as well as the cultured; so long as Baptists believe in a God-called ministry in which there is a place for men of every type; so long as we believe God calls men and women to serve Him, both in full-time Christian occupations and in the secular walks of life; so long as we believe these things—and God save us when we depart from them—just so long will there be a need for a unique school like this and just so long will there be a Clarke College here to meet that need.

We dedicate today a building which stands in its simple beauty as a tribute, a symbol, and a prophecy; a tribute to the Clarke of yesterday and to the men and women of faith who

built it; a symbol of the Clarke of today and its unique ministry in the work of God; and a prophecy of the Clarke of tomorrow which in the will of God is to be.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—(R. N. S.)—A bill calling for an annual postal rate increase, but exempting religious publications, was approved here by the Senate Post Office Committee. The measure would yield \$100,000,000, or \$150,000,000 less revenue than rate increases proposed by the Administration.

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Sunday School Lesson

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October 2. THE CALL OF ISIAH.
Isiah 6.

I. TIME, PLACE, CIRCUMSTANCES

"In the year that King Uzziah died," Jerome says this was the year that Rome was founded. Uzziah had reigned during a lengthened period of 52 years, a long reign during which there were numberless manifestations of divine love. But the riches of divine love had little or no effect upon it. Here in Jerusalem, the Holy City, God's chosen people were given over to hardness of heart, and became under the chastening hand of the Almighty were given over as a Kingdom and a country to devastation and complete subjection by the imperial power of the world.

While the throne of Israel was occupied by Uzziah, the Throne behind the throne of Judah could not be clearly seen; but when King Uzziah died, when there was no one sitting on his throne, then the Throne in the rear, a Throne which is never vacant was seen by the prophet, the Throne with its Almighty occupant, standing there watching the shadow, keeping watch above the things of God.

Many times and often it is like that: We have to see the things we love and depend upon turn to ashes in our grasp, the strong support upon which we lean, snap beneath the weight we lean upon it before we can grasp the hand of the Lord, or lean upon the staff of our Shepherd for the support which we can find nowhither else. Under these circumstances there came to Isiah a sense of overwhelming loss.

II. ISIAH THE PROPHET

He was a brilliant young court preacher, a prince of the house of David, eloquent in speech and attractive in manner, an excellent courtier of heaven directed mien, of cultured soul and sapient eye serene. But now he saw the star of his hope decline below the horizon, and he was well-nigh in despair. It was while he was in this condition and at this extremity that there came to Isiah this vision in the temple and this call to service.

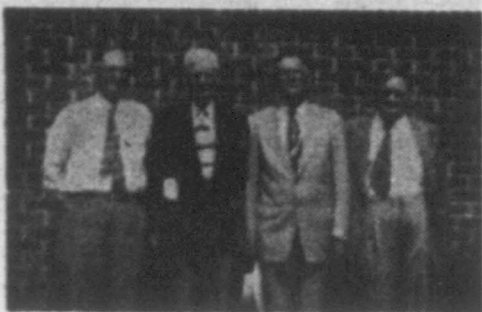
III. A VISION OF GOD BRINGS A CONVICTION OF SIN

It always does! It is the only thing that does! See you a man out in front of the crowd, leading with great acclaim some movement for God, when suddenly it comes to light that he is rotten at the core, and the people are sad because a trusted one has deceived them? And they all say, "We can not understand this."

Well, the man who has deceived and aggrieved them has not seen the Lord, that's all. But let mortal man once see the Lord, seated upon His Throne, and all the self-righteous ideas that upheld him before slide away, and in the clear light of Jehovah's throne, the beholder sees himself a sinner unclean. See you a man who has not seen himself as a sinner? That man has not yet seen the Lord.

IV. A CONVICTION OF SIN LEADS TO CONFESSION

And that follows as night follows day. A man may be conscious of short comings and may succeed in hiding them from his fellows, and even look lightly upon them himself while conscious that they are not just what others think. The acts of his life are; but once let such a man see the Lord and thereby become convinced of his errors, convicted of his sin, and the man will cry out from the depths of his guilt, "Woe is me! for I am undone because I am a man of unclean lips." And my friends are a people



Shown above are the officers of the Calhoun County Association who were re-elected at the meeting at State Springs on September 14. They are, left to right: Van Hollis, treasurer; E. A. Dye, clerk; B. Murphree, moderator and Rev. A. F. Brasher, vice-moderator.

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SOUTH McCOMB CHURCH, REV.

James R. Bryant, pastor, are pleased with the work of the membership group captains. The church bulletin outlines their duties as follows: 1. See or call them once a week, find out why they are absent. 2. Report any need or trouble. 3. Tell them about activities of the church. 4. See that they have literature, the Baptist Record, etc. 5. Visit in their homes once a month, in the interest of the church. 6. Encourage them to bring their tithes and offerings to the church. Each captain has the oversight of five families.

of unclean lips: "for mine eyes have seen the King."

I should say that the greatest need of this country just now is that men shall have such a vision of Jehovah of Hosts as shall lead them to open confession of sin in the sight of God.

V. A CONFESSION OF SIN LEADS TO FORGIVENESS AND CLEANSING

For God is merciful and forgiving! Unlike us men in our vengeful and unforgiving spirits, He says, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways. . . . For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts higher than your thoughts." Whom God has cleansed is clean, mark you. And the God-cleansed man is fit for the service of God. He is everlastingly on the lookout for men to adore and do for Him, therefore;

VI. CLEANSSED MEN ARE CALLED INTO THE SERVICE OF GOD AND CLEANSSED MEN RESPOND TO THE CALL

That compound proposition is true, also. God has something for every cleansed man to do, some task which has been waiting for the hand of that one, particular, individual man, some God-appointed task which that one man and he alone can do.

One of my teachers used to pray in chapel, "Lord, teach us that each of us must do his work today. Teach us that we can not put today's duties off till tomorrow, for tomorrow has its own duties for us to do; we can not depend upon someone else to do our work, for every other person has his own duties, equal to both his time and strength." Whom shall I send, and who will go for us"; and this is the word of the Almighty, to which the cleansed man, the man who has been cleansed by the grace of God, every man who has been cleansed by the grace of God, responds, "Here am I; send me."

VII. THE TASKS GOD ASSIGNS ARE HARD TASKS

It was so in the case of Isiah, it is true in your own case. It will always be true, that God will not, does not call men to trifling tasks, but to those that tax the strength of heart and head and hand.

VIII. THE HARD TASKS DEVELOP HEROIC MEN

Did in the case of Isiah, will in the case of you. Always and evermore, the doing of the big thing makes of the deer a big man.



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CHOCTAW MISSION VBS



The Young Woman's Auxiliary of Spring Creek Church, Neshoba County, is expanding its mission activities.

Shown above are a group of Choctaw Indians who attend a weekly school provided for them by the Y. W. A. The other picture shows a group of Negro children who attended the V. B. S. which was conducted by the Y. W. A. The enrollment was 31.

Rev. Ivor L. Clarke is pastor of this outstanding rural church.

Suggests A Church Cabinet

By JEROME O. WILLIAMS

Secretary of Education and Promotion, Baptist Sunday School Board

In these days of complex living our churches are seeking to measure up to the demands upon them in meeting the spiritual needs of the people. This effort has of necessity increased the number of active organizations effectively for the most satisfactory results.

Aggressive pastors feel the need of the assistance of some of the trained and sympathetic leaders of the church in coping with these problems. This need is being met in many places by a church cabinet or council. At this time of year when churches are setting up the organization for another year, the Inter-Agency Council of our denomination and the Church Organization Committee of the Convention join me heartily in recommending that a church cabinet be formed and used widely in each church.

The church cabinet is usually composed of the pastor, educational director, church secretary, superintendent of Sunday school, director of Training Union, chairman of deacons, director of music, president of the Brotherhood, and president of the Woman's Missionary Society. Others may be added as the local church desires. The cabinet is purely advisory. It should meet at regular intervals.

The purpose of the church cabinet is to consider wisely and prayerfully all plans, programs, and problems of the church.

IN THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF THE Sunday School Builder an interesting article concerning the Standard of Excellence appears by Miss Carolyn Madison of the State Sunday School Department and Parkway Church, Jackson. Miss Madison's discussion is on "How We Use the Standard."

Dr. Rankin Urges Global Thinking

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—(BP)—Dr. M. Theron Rankin, secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, recently spent two days in the San Francisco Bay area visiting 60 Southern Baptist churches and mission points and speaking at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary.

In a special missionary rally at the seminary, Dr. Rankin reminded the pastors, "Southern Baptists need to think in terms of the global dimensions we undertook in World War II."

Commenting on the missionary spirit and progress of Southern Baptists in California, Dr. Rankin said that his tour of churches and mission points in the San Francisco Bay area gave him the same uplift that he recently experienced in Hawaii, and in other foreign fields where we carry the message of Christ and establish new work.

BRANDED AS IMPOSTER

As clerk of Bartholomew Baptist Association of Arkansas, I am directed to write you concerning one George J. Barth who came into our Association within recent months as an insurance salesman and also purporting to be a Baptist preacher.

A number of strange claims, and other things, finally led our Moderator, Rev. Keith F. Babb of Warren, and others, to investigate his history. This examination revealed this man to be an imposter, absolutely unworthy as a preacher. As a matter of fact no official record of his ordination could be located—and the sources he gave for information were either non-committal or professed to have no knowledge of him. This article is sent you at the direction of our Executive Board.—Wesley A. Lindsey.

Chinese Communists Threaten Christian Liberties

HALIFAX, N. S.—(RNS)—A prediction that the liberties now enjoyed by Chinese Christians will "gradually be taken away" by the Communists in that country was made here by the Rev. William Simpson, who recently returned from the Honan mission field.

In an address before the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada, Mr. Simpson said the Church in China might be in a better position today had the Reds come in with a policy of religious persecution.

He implied that the Communist policy of giving the impression that they would not oppress religion had lulled Chinese Christians into a sense of false security which kept them from making an issue of religious liberty.

Mr. Simpson said hospitals and schools in China are now heavily taxed by the Communists. Many hospitals, he added, have been taken over by the Reds on the pretext that they are not properly managed. Then their staff and supplies are taken away to be used at military hospitals.

"Some hope that the Communists in China will be pink rather than red," Mr. Simpson said, "but I say that there is no difference from the Marxan theories in their system. There are some who hope that the Chinese family system will change the nature of the Communist regime, but I am afraid that is wishful thinking."



At the Fox Studios in New York, Rev. W. L. Jenkins, General Manager of the Publication Division, Presbyterian Board of Christian Education, confers with Harvey Stephens and Robert Wilmot, leading man and director, respectively of the new film, INTO THE GOOD GROUND, which is being produced for the Board by the Pathescope Company. Intended to stimulate Bible study in the home and the church school, the film is non-denominational in character and although it will be used intensively in Presbyterian churches, it will be released simultaneously to all churches through The Religious Film Association, 45 Astor Place, New York, N. Y., official interdenominational distribution agency.

THE LIQUOR SITUATION IN MISSISSIPPI

By REV. C. C. JONES

Much is being written about the liquor situation in Mississippi. It is bad, tragically bad, all of us know. However, we need to learn once and for all, that the liquor evil like all other evils, is uncontrollable. It can be curbed, slowed down, pushed into the alleys, but not destroyed. Prohibition enforced, has done that, is doing that, and in the hands of fearless officers will continue to do just that.

Since the word control has been used I would like to say that today we are suffering from the lack of federal control throughout the nation, package control in the state around us, black market tax control in Mississippi, and sheriff control in many of the counties. If we will charge our predicament up to these failures, the blame will be properly placed, and prohibition cleared of another scandal.

Give us a few more men like Judge Currie and George Grubbs who will stand up for enforcement of the prohibition laws and a different story will be written about the liquor situation in Mississippi. The greatest menace to the traveling public of today, in the hotels, on the highways, on the railroads, and on the water, is the liquor menace.

I want to thank Judge Currie for his righteous judgment, and George Grubbs for his persistent fight that made that judgment possible. If carried out it will be the means of saving many lives, and will greatly reduce the appalling number of people who are being killed on our highways each year.

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, it has seemed best to our all-wise Heavenly Father to take unto Himself the soul of our beloved brother, O. P. Estes, and

WHEREAS, he had rendered long and faithful service, not only to his own church, but also to many other churches, both far and near, including the First Baptist Church of Poplarville, and

WHEREAS, he never hesitated to put his hand both readily and efficiently to any task assigned him, such as Moderator of the Pearl River Baptist Association, Chairman of its Missionary Committee, and its representative member of the Baptist Convention Board, and

WHEREAS, his gentle, kindly spirit and gracious friendliness endeared him to the hearts of young and old alike; be it hereby

RESOLVED: by the entire membership of the First Baptist Church of Poplarville, Mississippi, that our expressions of deep sympathy and condolence be extended to his wife, his children, and other members of his family at this time of their great loss; and likewise to the entire membership of our sister church, the First Baptist Church of Picayune, Mississippi; and be it further

RESOLVED: that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to Mrs. O. P. Estes and the other bereaved members of the family; a copy be mailed to the Church Clerk of the First Baptist Church of Picayune; and a copy forwarded to the Baptist Record, and other publications.

Done by order of the church in conference August 28, 1949.

L. A. HURST, Chairman
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Resolutions Committee
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